

Bridport man fights for his life after A35 crash

A BRIDPORT man is fighting for his life as he remains in a "life threatening" condition after his car collided with a tree on the A35 on Friday (February 5th).

Emergency services were called to the scene on the A35 between Bridport and Dorchester near Walditch at around 2.15pm to reports of a single vehicle collision.

A silver Peugeot 306 was being driven towards Dorchester when it left the road and collided with a tree.

The driver – a 27-year-old man from Bridport – sustained life threatening injuries and was airlifted by Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance to Southampton General Hospital. There were no other casualties.

The A35 was closed in both directions throughout the afternoon while emergency services dealt with the incident and collision investigators examined the scene. It was re-opened just before 5.30pm.

Police are now appealing for witnesses and anyone with information to come forward following the serious incident.

Police Constable James Howes, of Dorset Police's road traffic unit, said: "I am appealing to anyone who witnessed the collision, or who saw the manner of driving of the Peugeot immediately before or at the time of the incident to please call me on 101.

"I would like to thank motorists for their patience during the road closure which was necessary to allow emergency services to treat the man at the scene and to investigate what happened."

Witnesses and anyone with information should call Dorset Police on 101 quoting incident number 5:183.

Alternatively, call the free and anonymous

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Crimestoppers line on 0800 555 111 where mobile phone tariffs may apply.

The A35 between Bridport and Dorchester is be-

coming renowned as a dangerous road and has been closed numerous times due to car collisions, with many drivers and passengers receiving serious or fatal injuries.

A 28-year-old woman from Devon died after her car collided with another on the A35 between Bridport and Dorchester in December, with two others sustaining serious injuries.

A 47-year-old man from Nottinghamshire was also killed on that road near Winterborne Abbas in October 2014 after he collided with another vehicle travelling in the opposite direction.

In August 2013 the same stretch of road claimed the life of a 49-year-old man from the Cleveland area and a 48-year-old woman from Poole in two separate incidents.

Nationwide group backs local bus users

A NATIONAL transport organisation has decided to support local bus users and challenge the cuts to local bus services being proposed by Dorset County Council.

A representative from Bus Users UK came to speak to users of the 26 routes currently under review as part of plans to save £500,000, which would leave many villages in Dorset without any bus services.

The group, a non-profit organisation which works on behalf of all bus users to ensure that operators meet their needs, held a Your Bus Matters event at Bridport bus station last Wednesday (February 3rd) and will lodge a formal challenge on the plans to Dorset County Council.

There was particular anger at the plans to cut the twice 253 weekly service from Beaminster to Weymouth and local resident, Sheena Fox, who is a widow, displayed a place card saying 'save the 253'.

Paula Denham from Corscombe described the plans to leave her village without a bus service as a "devastating blow" for local residents who do not have a car.

David Marsh, a parish councillor, was angry that it's planned his village Thorncombe will lose all three of its bus routes. Two of these also serve Marshwood, which will also be left without a bus route.

One of these is the 688, which runs every Thursday from Thorncombe and Marshwood to Axminster.

One of its regular users, Caroline Dilke from Marshwood, has pointed out that the bus is almost nearly full and has arranged for every regular passenger to sign a petition calling for the route to be retained, which has been sent to Peter Finney, Dorset County Council's cabinet member responsible for transport.

Mr Marsh, however, is worried that a decision to cut the buses has already been made after receiving an invitation from Beaminster county councillor Re-

becca Knox to attend a meeting on February 19th to discuss alternative transport arrangements.

Fears were also expressed that the plans could lead to a huge drop in earnings for local bus drivers.

Natacha Tagholm, deputy director of Bus Users UK, said: "Many of the drivers may be reduced to working part time because their vehicles would be used solely as school buses in the morning and afternoon during term time."

BUS users and campaigners (pictured) discussed their opinions on Dorset County Council's plans to cut weekly and twice weekly services at a Bus Users UK 'Your Bus Matters' event



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GEOFF Kerr is 65-years-old and lives in Hursey, a small hamlet next to the village of Broadwindsor, after moving to the area with his wife in July 2014 from Wendover in Buckinghamshire.

He set up the Broadwindsor Jammers, a local guitar group, shortly after moving to West Dorset, which provides regular jamming sessions.

Geoff has been married to his wife Jenny for five years and between them they have four children and eight grandchildren, with another on the way. Mr Kerr retired in 2010 after working in the car trade for 35 years while also running a mobile disco from 1974 to 1997.

● TELL us a bit more about Broadwindsor Jammers...

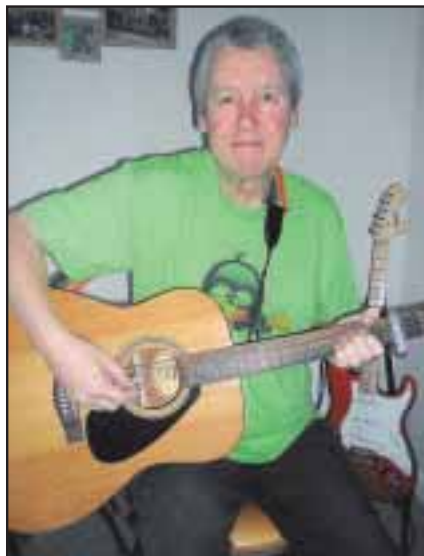
As soon as we moved to Hursey, I started to look around for a guitar group to join similar to the one I belonged to in Aylesbury but I couldn't find one so I thought I'd start my own group. I began by putting up posters on noticeboards all over the place looking for guitarists of all ages and abilities. Two months later, after receiving several responses, five guitarists met at my house and the Broadwindsor Jammers were formed.

I now have over 50 jammers that I regularly email inviting them to either our larger group jamming sessions in our village hall or our smaller group sessions in people's homes. As well as regular jamming sessions, we have been fortunate enough last year to be asked to play at a local wedding reception, to play at the Broadwindsor Harvest Supper and to play in church at the Broadwindsor Carol Service.

If anyone would like us to perform at their social event and want popular sing-a-long music then Broadwindsor Jammers are available at no cost in Broadwindsor or in surrounding towns and villages. Please phone Geoff on 01308 867221 or 07849 600366 or email geoff381@hotmail.com

● How long have you been playing the guitar?

I only started to play an acoustic guitar in April 2013. In October 2013 I joined a jamming group in the Aylesbury Arts Centre where we met every Wednesday night and we did performances in the Limelight Theatre and other venues around



Aylesbury. I moved to West Dorset in July 2014 and I formed the Broadwindsor Jammers in September 2014 so you could say that I've been jamming and doing performances for just over two years.

● What are your favourite songs to play on your own or with your jammers?

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Even before buying my first guitar I had always wanted to play "House Of The Rising Sun" by The Animals and "Hotel California" by The Eagles. We have over 60 songs on our jamming repertoire which we regularly play. If I had to choose two favourites that we play the most of I would pick "Bye Bye Love" by The Everly Brothers and "Love Is All Around" by The Troggs or Wet Wet Wet, depending on which generation you are.

● Do you have any hints or tips for anyone wanting to start playing the guitar or joining the Broadwindsor jammers?

My advice to anyone thinking of learning to play the guitar is to do it now and not leave it until you retire like I did. I would go to a qualified guitar teacher, which I can recommend, for between six and nine months and when you are proficient in playing around a dozen or more chords, join my jamming group and have fun playing songs from the song sheets that I provide.

● What attracted you to this area?

My wife Jenny had always had a fondness for West Dorset and had holidays here as a child. For me it was a case of "Escape to the Country" and as I come from Southend, to be back near the coast again.

● What do you like to do in your spare time?

I play outdoor bowls for Chard Bowling Club and I'm a qualified bowls coach. I also go and watch Bridport Town play football as much as I can.

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New economic plan for Bridport and West Bay

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BRIDPORT and West Bay's economic plan for the area has now been published. Last year Bridport and West Bay successfully bid to become a recognised Coastal Community Team (CCT) and received funding from central government to produce an economic plan for the area.

Local businesses, organisations and residents who participated in the consultation for this plan said particular strengths for the area's economy included the 'fabulous coastal scenery', independent shops and producers, Bridport's market, town events and having good places to eat or drink.

Weaknesses included the lack of affordable housing, the loss of young people, a shortage of car parking, the seasonal nature of many jobs and low local wages.

Richard Smith, president of Bridport Chamber of Trade and chairman of the CCT, said: "We got the go ahead for the project at the end of the summer and we were required to produce the plan by the end of January."

"I am very grateful to all the members of the team, particularly Brian Wilson, our project manager, for working together so well and producing this plan in such a short space of time."

"It is very much a working document and the team will continue to meet to monitor the delivery of the projects."

Six priorities are identified within the economic plan, including improving the environment at West Bay, relieving parking pressures and reducing traffic congestion, promoting the area's heritage, enhancing workforce skills and employment opportunities, creating employment space for start-ups and small businesses and supporting the value of the visitor economy.

Scott Condliffe, of Bridport and District Tourism association, said: "The plan emphasises the importance of tourism to this area and there are a number of projects, including important improvements to car parking, that we hope to see moved forward to support this key part of our economy."

The plan sets out 20 proposed actions or projects which seek to address these priorities over the period to 2020. Some are new initiatives and some are already in the pipeline. Some will require access to new funding resources and some can and are being progressed by local organisations within existing resources.

Those actions or projects include, upgrading car parks at West Bay, a feasibility study for a regular bus

link between West Bay and Bridport, creating a visitor centre at West Bay Methodist Church, a work hub at Bridport Literary and Scientific Institute building, making progress with plans to regenerate St Michael's Trading Estate, creating more apprenticeship opportunities – especially for young people – and developing a Bridport town centre wifi network.

Ros Kayes, the Dorset County Council representative on the CCT, said: "Bridport and West Bay really need the injection of funds that future successful bids would bring."

"Many of these projects will galvanise community groups and local businessmen to make this a more attractive place for tourists and develop a stronger economy. It is fingers crossed now."

These and other projects aim to deliver new business opportunities, additional jobs, better access to job opportunities, an improved visitor experience and higher visitor spend – including outside of the main tourist

season. Where projects require funding, it is hoped that their inclusion within the plan will help with future funding applications.

The final section of the plan describes measures being put into place to monitor progress and to assist with its delivery.

These will involve a range of local organisations from the public, private and community sectors.

Mike Nicks, of West Bay Community Forum, said: "On behalf of West Bay Community Forum, this extensive and detailed economic plan has highlighted a whole raft of projects which need to be acted upon in the future for the benefit of visitors, residents and all who work in Bridport and West Bay. We hope some funding will materialise from this document and much needed enhancements can commence to improve this area of outstanding beauty which is at the centre of the Jurassic World Heritage Site."

The CCT includes representatives from Bridport Chamber of Trade, Bridport & District Tourism Association, Bridport Area Development Trust, Bridport Local Area Partnership, West Bay Community Forum, Bridport Town Council, West Dorset District Council and Dorset County Council.

'Flatpack democracy' comes to town

A SMALL scale political revolution that has been taking place in a Somerset market town is coming to Bridport.

Peter MacFadyen, part of the Independents for Frome and the town's former mayor, is coming to Bridport on Thursday, February 25th to talk about revitalising local democracy.

Mr MacFadyen and his independent campaign group secured two election victories in Frome, winning 11 seats in the first election, then all 17 seats in the 2015 election.

He will share their local successes as part of the 'Flatpack Democracy' event to talk about local people power.

Ahead of the evening event a free one-hour workshop on youth politics will be facilitated by Cara Honey,

former Frome youth mayor.

This is an opportunity for people aged 16 to 30 who want to develop a local political voice to get some ideas and inspiration and find a network of others who are enthusiastic to do the same.

Joe Hewetson, a 19-year-old member of the steering group and working group for employment for the neighbourhood plan in Bridport and the surrounding area, said: "I will be attending, along with as many people as possible, and I urge other local people to attend too."

Councillor Ros Kayes said: "People often believe young people are not interested in politics – nothing could be further from the truth."

"Flatpack Democracy offers a form of do-it-yourself politics that

everyone should embrace."

Behind the two events is Stir To Action, a Bridport-based organisation that held a series of community action workshops last year.

Founder Jonny Gordon-Farleigh said: "To everyone wondering how the localism act, youth-led politics and communities can bring about meaningful change, these events will inspire practical action."

Flatpack Democracy takes place on Thursday, February 25th at 7.30pm in the WI Hall on North Street. Tickets cost £4 on the door.

The youth politics workshop takes place on the same day from 5.30pm to 6.30pm, also at the WI Hall. To book a place at this free to attend event, email events@stirtoaction.com

Storm Imogen causes disruption

MANY roads, lanes and footpaths across Bridport and Beaminster were left impassable or damaged as Storm Imogen made its way across Dorset over the weekend and Monday.

Weather warnings were issued for the south west of England with the Met Office updating the warning of wind in Dorset to amber on Monday as gusts of up to 80mph battered the county.

Storm Imogen caused disruption to many parts of the area including a fallen tree on the A35 at Little Bredy, between Bridport and Winterborne

Abbas, which closed the road from the Mitsubishi / Texaco roundabout in Bridport to Monkey's Jump roundabout in Dorchester for many hours and diverted the X51 bus to the coast road.

There were also reports of a tree hanging over the road in the area of Coneygar Road, a collapsed section of road near the area of Upton Manor Farm, Uploders, a landslip in Yellow Lane, Loders, and an unclassified road in West Milton, where a river had also burst its banks.

Fence panels were blown across the road and pavement at Fullbrooks Lane in Bridport, while water poured onto the road in North Allington.

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Public First campaigners return to Bridport

MEMBERS of Public First took to the streets of Bridport on Saturday (February 6th) to continue spreading the word on their upcoming public meeting.

The group are campaigning to revert West Dorset District Council to a committee style of governance, rather than the cabinet style they currently use.

They gained over 6,000 signatures and the district council are to hold a referendum on this alongside the Police and Crime Commissioner election on May 5th.

But campaigners are calling on district council leader Councillor Anthony Alford to save taxpayers the £95,000 it would cost to hold the referendum by voluntarily reverting to a committee style.

Clive Stafford Smith, chairman of Public First, said: "There has been a really positive response to the West Dorset referendum launch.

"The May 5th vote is not party political and it will not change the people in office, but it will change the way they do business, inject some transparency, and make them more responsive to the citizens who elect them and pay the taxes that periodically get squandered by them."

The meeting will allow members of the public to discuss the committee and cabinet style of governance. The group are also looking for

members of the public who could 'adopt-a-street' or area to carry out leaflet dropping in early May.

Mr Stafford Smith added: "Thursday evening is about true democracy, as witnessed in Athens centuries ago, but rarely seen in West Dorset today.

"The public will be invited to voice their views.

"We will be hoping to recruit a dozen 'area over-seers' in Bridport – and on Wednesday, February 24th in Dorchester – who will each take charge of an area for public education and leaflet distribution.

"Working with them, we hope to find 'street citizens' willing to take

a small area.

"They will be advocates for a more representative council. With them, we will develop question and answer sheets to respond to any more technical questions people may have, and further information can be found on our website www.publicfirstgroup.co.uk

"This is historic – it will be only the second such local referendum to take place in England under the Localism Act 2011 – and we are looking for a democratic debate throughout the district on a scale never seen before.

"All district councillors have been invited to attend."



PUBLIC First members will host a public meeting tomorrow (Thursday, February 11th) inviting residents to have their say on both the committee and cabinet style of governance

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Extra backing for support group

MEMBERS of a local mental health support group have received extra backing from the Bridport Community Hospital League of Friends.

Harmony Drop-in Centre received a gift of a brand new television and

by **Lottie Welch**

DVD player, in order for members to enjoy film afternoons.

The afternoons will be organised and run by Dave Sheppard, a member of the group and management committee.

He said: "It will hopefully be a way for everyone to get together, we will

have a break inbetween films for refreshments. It will be £1 per person to cover refreshments.

"We will then talk about what people like and didn't like about the film – it should be a fun time and an opportunity for people to come out.

"Anyone can suggest films and during winter it will take place in the afternoon from 12noon onwards and when days are lighter it will be later in the day."

The League of Friends have previously helped the group by buying them kitchen, arts and crafts and beach equipment.

Joanne Seward, facilitator at Harmony, said: "We would like to say a big thank you to the League of Friends for the TV, DVD player, licence, fitting and delivery, which came to around £900.

"Their treasurer Beryl Stork has been a great advocate for Harmony, she really supports us.

"There are talks of doing themed film afternoons and they will have a bit of fun with it. It will be the first time mem-

bers will use this space by themselves.

"Harmony is going from strength to strength, we have 80 people registered with us and we regularly get 20 to 25 people a day coming in.

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EXCITING things are happening at Clocktower Music in Bridport's historic art and vintage quarter.

As well as the store currently offering a range of vinyl records, CDs, pre-loved hi-fi systems and musical instruments, it also offers local musicians free use of its recording studio and You Tube live stream via its 'Fly On The Wall' sessions.

The sessions started in December and normally take place on Thursdays. They are filmed and engineered by Rough Bark Recording Studios.

These allow musicians to record their songs and stream them on You Tube through Fly On The Wall.

The recorded sessions

can be found by searching for 'Fly On The Wall Sessions' on You Tube.

Along with this, the store has adapted original vintage valve and transistor radios from the Fifties through to the Eighties to play music from online streaming sites – a great way of listening to music!

Clocktower Music in the St Michael's area of Bridport – which is a co-operative of Shirts 69 clothing, Second Sounds musical equipment and Spiral Printing – and is also a sponsor of Vinyl Saturday, a quarterly record and CD fair, which gives the town's shops and Saturday market stalls the opportunity to take part for free.

The event was one of the

kickstarters of the revival in vinyl records and next takes place on February 20th.

Initially its aim was to recreate interest in vinyl records and encourage as many businesses as possible in the town to offer records as part of the event.

In 2007, when the event was originally conceived, vinyl records were considered a dying medium for playing music.

However one of the owners of Clocktower Music thought differently and recognised there was an opportunity for Bridport to attract visitors by promoting the advantages of vinyl records.

This worked successfully

for Bridport and there are now around 15 establishments to search for records and even more on market days.

The event's importance was recognised by being voted record fair of the year across Europe by national magazine *Record Collector*.

For more information about Clocktower Music, search for them on Facebook.



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Beaminster impresses in Youth Speaks

BEAMINSTER School's presentation on whether we should accept new words into our vocabulary was well received by the judges in the semi-final of Rotary District 1200 Youth Speaks competition held last week.

Speaker Henry Greenham's convincing and articulate plea saw them progress to the district final to be held in Cheddar later this month.

The event, organised by the Rotary Clubs of Brit Valley and Bridport, saw schools from The Sir John Colfox, Gryphon (Sherborne), Holyrood (Chard), Sherborne and Preston (Yeovil), as well as hosts Beaminster,

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compete in an event designed and promoted by Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland to support and encourage the development of effective communication skills.

Following chairperson Jonah Corren's introduction, Henry Greenham said it was easy to dismiss new recent additions such as "binge-watch" and "selfie" as bunkum.

However there should be no reason to dismiss them, particularly in light of the increasing number of technological words that are now evolving.

He also stated that we should all consider that everyday words such as "majestic", "hint", and "tranquil" were all new when William Shakespeare introduced them in the 16th century.

Proposer Lottie Hyde said that whilst we should still try to preserve standard words in the dictionary there was also room for new ones and finished with an amusing closing statement using the

latest "lingo" of which I understood not one word!

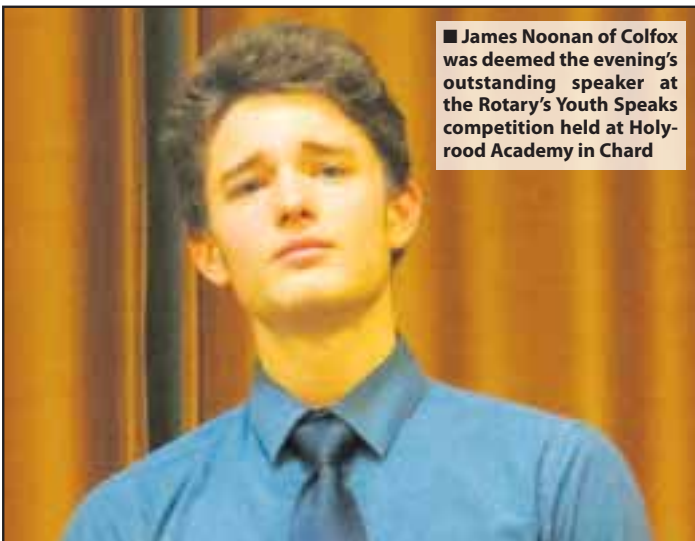
At the end of a very interesting and entertaining evening, the judges comprising head judge Professor Clive Kennedy (Emeritus Professor of Life Science at Exeter University), Deborah Bates (a very well known local actress, experienced in public speaking), and Laura Cockett (director of Bridport Arts Centre) decided Beaminster School had proved the best, with Gryphon School runners-up.

James Noonan from The Sir John

Colfox Academy who had given a very convincing and assured talk on "When are we really adults?" was considered the outstanding speaker on the night.

Prof Kennedy commended all six teams for their presentations and said it had been a difficult decision as well as offering some advice for future competitions.

The presentation of medals to the winners together with cash prizes was made by Rotary District Governor Bob Acland.



■ James Noonan of Colfox was deemed the evening's outstanding speaker at the Rotary's Youth Speaks competition held at Holyrood Academy in Chard

Screenwriting workshops at Bridport Arts Centre

BRIDPORT Arts Centre is offering budding writers to take part in a screenwriting course later this month.

Over six months, participants will work towards completing a 30 minute script and the course will teach writers how to develop a plot, story and character, how to write good dialogue and the technical challenges of writing for the screen.

The course will run monthly on Sundays at the arts centre café between February 14th and July 10th and students will develop and share their scripts between the taught lessons.

The course will be led by tutor Hester Schofield who has worked in the

British and American TV and film industry as a professional writer since 2000. She has written for TV series including *The Bill*, *Eastenders*, *Tracey Beaker* and *CSI*. She has also worked as a script consultant for BBC Films, Miramax, Film Four and Working Title.

The course fees are £180 – £30 per day – which can be paid in instalments.

Places can be booked by calling the arts centre box office on 01308 424204 or online at www.bridport-arts.com/events/screenwriting-workshops-hester-schofield

Pick-up rolls onto roof in accident

THE A3066 between Bridport and Beaminster was closed for a short time on Wednesday, January 3rd after a vehicle, registered to a Bridport man, rolled onto its roof.

Police were called around 9.15pm to the incident near Melplash.

A spokesperson for Dorset Police

said: "It was a single vehicle collision involving a grey Mitsubishi Trojan registered to Bridport man, around one and a half miles out of Beaminster."

"No injuries were reports and the vehicle recovery attended. The road was close for around 10 minutes."

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South West MEP leads town hall debate on UK's EU membership

OVER 100 people packed into Bridport Town Hall to hear South West MEP Clare Moody lead a discussion on Britain's membership of the EU.

The event, hosted by Bridport Labour, was open to all sides of the debate and was part of a series of talks she is giving across the South West in the run up to the referendum on continued membership.

Ms Moody laid out the arguments in favour of staying in the EU and some of the potential dangers of pulling out, whilst acknowledging that the EU is not perfect and the upcoming months would be full of debates discussing the pros and cons.

She said: "It was great to be in Bridport and be part of a lively discussion about what is the most important issue to face us in a generation.

"I am travelling around the region holding these events to try and spark this debate and to get people thinking about the EU and how important it is to our future."

Following the talk, Ms Moody answered a range of questions from audience members, ranging from farm wages and the movement of Labour, European environmental controls and the mechanics of the European Parliament.

There was also discussions on the economic benefits of mem-

bership and future challenges to Europe from the outside, in particular conflicts in Syria and Ukraine.

Richard Nichols, chairman of Bridport Labour, said: "This was a great opportunity for the public in Bridport to hear, and question, their South West MEP.

"Europe is the big issue of the day and over the coming weeks this will be debated up and down the country.

"Bridport Labour was very pleased to host a meeting that was open to anyone and everyone, with all sides of the argument being aired."

For more on Bridport Labour, email bridportlabour@gmail.com



■ SOUTH West MEP Clare Moody spoke to a dozens of Bridport residents about Britain's membership of the EU

Jurassic Fields fundraiser

JURASSIC Fields are holding a fundraiser for this year's event, with festival favourites The Leggomen and Shelby's Elbows set to play alongside a swinging electro set by DJ Victor Vector.

The event is being held at Highlands End, Eype on Friday March 18th from 8pm to 2am.

Tickets are limited to 250 and they are in such demand that 100 were sold on the first day of sale, so if you'd like a great night out you're advised to get yours quick!

Tickets are just £5 in advance or £7 on the door if any are still available.

Tickets are available online at <http://buytickets.at/jurassicfieldspayments/43014> - you'll need to print out your confirmation email or take the

confirmation along on a smart phone to gain entry.

Festival organiser Dan Broom said: "Tickets are limited so we would advise buying as early as you can. We hope to see many of you there!"

CORRECTION

■ IN LAST week's edition of View From Bridport (Wednesday, February 3rd) it was stated in the article 'New community transport plans' on pages one and two that Adam Keen was the operations manager for Damory. He is in fact the area manager for Damory.

We apologise for any confusion caused.

Advertiser's Announcement

Fancy That Cake Company

FANCY THAT CAKE CO, the award winning cake company will open their new cupcake outlet at their shop in Fleet Street, Beaminster this week, ready for Valentine Day.

They will be offering a wide range of delicious cupcakes, such as their ever popular Raspberry Ripple, Mint Choc Chip, Zingy Lemon, Fudge and Butterscotch and a few new flavours such as Ferrero Rocher, Rocky Road and Sticky Toffee.

They will also offer bespoke cake slices, brownies and flapjacks with dietary requirements such as gluten and dairy-free cakes available. The shop will also offer coffee to go as well as a few other tempting treats.

Bespoke Valentine cupcakes will be available at an introductory price of 4 for £10 (usually £12).

They will, of course still make bespoke cakes to order as well as offering new Sugarcraft classes and cupcake parties for brides-to-be and simple cupcake parties catered for children.

Fancy That Cake Co can also be found at various local events throughout the year. Details can be found on their website www.fancythatcakes.net and for more information, pictures, and recipes please visit on Facebook at www.facebook.com/fancythat66.

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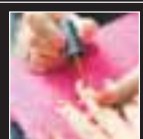
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Police round-up

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A garage on Park Road, Bridport, was broken into between January 24th and 28th and a wooden box of various tools with an approximate value of £20 was stolen. Crime number 55160016464.

Two Pekin chickens and a quantity of chicken feed were stolen from a remote area to the south of Shipton Gorge between January 27th and 29th. Crime number 55160017019.

On Friday, January 29th, a Stihl angle

grinder was stolen from a van parked at a remote site on the B3157 coast road between Swyre and Burton Bradstock. Crime number 55160017365.

Overnight between January 31st and February 1st, a van was broken into on Chard Road, Drimpton.

Thieves entered by removing the rear window and approximately £6,000 worth of power tools were stolen. Crime number 55160018600.

A spokesperson for Dorset Police said: "This van had security locks on all its doors – this crime is a prime example of the benefits of fitting a motion activated alarm to vehicles.

"This can be particularly beneficial for works vehicles with high value contents. These alarms need not be expensive.

"Please ask to speak to your local Neighbourhood Policing Team for further information by calling 101, of filling out an online contact form by visiting www.dorset.police.uk."

Overnight between January 31st and February 1st, damage was caused to the tyre of a vehicle parked in Waitrose car park. Crime number 55160018618.

Also between January 31st and February 1st, damage was caused to the tyre of a vehicle parked in the St Andrews Road area. Crime number 55160018982.

Between February 5th and 6th, damage was caused to a vehicle parked near to Normandy Way. Crime number 55160021886.

Between January 22nd and February 5th, two tractor tyres were stolen from a farm in the Bradpole area. Crime number 55160021631.

Between 4pm and 7pm on February 5th, a quantity of meat was stolen from the Beaminster Co-op store in the Square. Crime number 55160021584.

Between February 1st and 2nd, damage was caused to the wing mirrors of a vehicle parked near Morcombelake Post Office. Crime number 55160019378.

Green light for play area extension

■ MEMBERS of Mountjoy School Council helped to select the sensory equipment for the West Bay play area extension



THE extension of the West Bay play area is one step further as equipment is chosen by the groups involved.

Consultation sessions were held last week to select the sensory equipment that will be included in the new extension.

Some of the most popular equipment, among options presented by town surveyor Daryl Chambers, were musical installations, tactile puzzles and distorting mirrors.

However, the aim is to provide a wide range of experiences and to change them on a regular basis.

Arthur Woodgate, chairman of BYPAT, said: "There was great enthusiasm

at both our sessions with the Fisherman's Arms group and then the Mountjoy School Council.

"We reminded them that once the work is completed and before it is opened to the general public, they will be to 'test run' the new equipment that they have helped choose.

"They have been brilliant and we would never have got to this point without their very active support."

Mr Chambers also revealed that there would be a tree planting programme to accompany the development and the two groups would be able to have their own trees.

There will also be an opportunity for

those not directly involved in the new development to join in with this programme.

Also involved is Debbie Bird, who had helped to design the existing play area and raise over £6,000 to make it possible.

She said: "All I can say is that I am beyond excited that we have got all the money needed and that the building of the park is going ahead so soon."

Weather permitting, the work will begin on the new area in around six weeks time.

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Local food takeaway project getting close to launch

A LOCAL food takeaway for Bridport is one step closer to becoming a reality after organisers gained support from the community and are planning to launch it later this year.

The Local Food Takeaway Project is an initiative launched by Bridport-based magazine *Stir To Action* and, with the help of a team of locals,

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the group have revived an old catering vehicle to bring locally-sourced and sustainable food to

the community.

A Crowdfunder campaign was set up last year and was successful in raising £6,600 from 179 backers to cover start-up costs, catering equipment, tax and insurance, basic training and original artwork to give the vehicle its new identity.

And now the group of locals, headed by *Stir To Action*'s director Jonny Gordon-Farleigh, are putting a plan together to launch the new initiative in April or early May.

Mr Gordon-Farleigh said: "Over the next month, the takeaway project team are purchasing catering equipment, running fitting workshops and applying our new artwork to get it ready to launch."

"We still need specialist help from electricians and plumbers to set up and certify the equipment, so if you would like to support an exciting community food project let us know."

"We are now taking bookings for festivals throughout the summer

and plotting ideas for Bridport venues and events."

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■ BRIDPORT Local Food Takeaway Project will soon launch in the town, but more help is needed from any local electricians and plumbers.
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Bridport Lions Club Blues Extravaganza

THE Lions Club of Bridport's Blues Extravaganza is back for its fifth year offering a night of music and dancing.

The event, taking place at Freshwater Holiday Park in Burton Bradstock on Saturday, February 27th from 8pm, will feature Cluster's Last Blues Band, C Sharp Blues Band and The Mutter Slater Band.

The concert will be raising money for Bridport Arts Centre and other local groups and causes in the community.

Tickets cost £10 in advance or £12 on the door and are available from Bridport Tourist Information Centre and Bridport Music on South Street, Bridport Arts Centre or by calling 01308 424536 or emailing webmaster@bridportlionsclub.org

Free-from baking raises dough for charity



■ BRIDPORT woman Jade Young, pictured, has raised hundreds of pounds for charity after hosting an afternoon tea event on Sunday, January 31st. She baked most of the cakes herself in aid of charity Crohn's and Colitis UK, as she was recently diagnosed with ulcerative colitis, one of the conditions that the charity supports. Ms Young said: "There were gluten-free and

diary-free options and speciality teas available. With a raffle and amazing support from everyone who attended over £770 was raised with more donations still to come in. It was a great result and lovely afternoon."

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Symondsbury Kitchen

Symondsbury Kitchen is now under new management. Jean Pierre Nzante is bringing a fresh new vibe to the café with it being opened more in the evenings.

It'll be open on both Friday & Saturday evenings over Valentine's weekend. Friday evening there will be live music and Saturday evening local DJ James Baker will be on the decks with some smooth tunes to add to the ambience.

A log burner and cosy atmosphere make it

the perfect place to celebrate Valentine's day this year.

Although it is now under new management the original ethos of the café remains which is to serve deliciously home cooked food made by using locally sourced meat, fish and produce including vegetables that are grown in the Symondsbury Estate garden all year round.

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Craig Ogden returns to Dorchester Arts

Valentine's Special – Craig Ogden – Classical Music – Spring 2016

Craig Ogden returns to the county town with a specially selected programme for Valentine's Day. Classic FM recording artist Craig Ogden returns to Dorchester Arts at the Corn Exchange with a specially themed programme for Valentine's Day, Sunday 14 February featuring celebrated classic guitar tracks; the perfect way to celebrate a romantic afternoon with your loved one. Craig will set the mood with beautiful tunes including Cavatina, The Ashokan Farewell, Memories of the Alhambra plus music by The Beatles, William Lovelady and Gary Ryan.

Australian born guitarist Craig Ogden is one of the UK's most recorded guitarists known by his No. 1 albums for Classic FM as well as his critically acclaimed recordings of the core guitar repertoire. Craig's Classic FM albums *The Guitarist* and *Summertime* both shot straight to No.1 in the UK classical chart in summer 2010 and 2011 respectively, followed by the release of *Christmas Time* in November 2013. Both *'Summer Guitar'* which was released in June 2014 and Craig's latest CD *'Craig Ogden and Friends'* released in June 2015 went straight to No. 1 in the classical chart.

Craig Ogden has performed concertos with all of the main UK orchestras plus many abroad in countries including Latvia, Russia, South Africa, Sweden and Australia. In recent seasons he has performed with the Philharmonia Orchestra, London Philharmonic Orchestra, Ulster Orchestra, Hallé Orchestra, Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, the WDR Rundfunk Orchestra in Cologne and the Aalborg Symphony Orchestra (Denmark).

Craig Ogden regularly appears as soloist and chamber musician at the major London venues and collaborates with many of the UK's top artists and ensembles, and has also presented on BBC Radio 3, BBC Radio Ulster and on ABC Classic FM (Australia).

Having performed to much acclaim at the Corn Exchange last year, Dorchester Arts is excited to welcome Craig to the county town with this specially selected programme once again. This concert marks the second in Dorchester Arts classical music offering this spring. Opus Anglicanum, the five piece male chorale ensemble, with narrator Zeb Soanes of BBC Radio 4 fame will follow with a Gregorian Chant concert and workshop on Sunday 6 March at Holy Trinity Church (workshop to be held in Dorchester Town Hall). Described by The Times as a 'visionary touring company', Swansea City Opera will also return to Dorchester on Friday 1 April with a History of Opera (Abridged!) offering an informative light-hearted insight into the history of opera spanning 400 years. The classical music spring season closes with concert pianist John Bryden and world-renowned viola player Matthew Souter who will perform a range of works by Telemann, Schubert, Vaughn Williams and Bruch on Saturday 9 April at the Dorset County Museum.

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National accolade for Bridport Leisure Centre

THE team at Bridport Leisure Centre have been recognised for their outstanding customer service and management of the centre.

The centre has been awarded the second-highest performing mystery visit in the UK by Sport England's leading quality scheme Quest.

A mystery visitor took a trip to the centre to assess them on all aspects, including cleanliness, service, management, staff

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knowledge and facilities, and they passed with flying colours. Nick Neale, general manager of Bridport Leisure Centre, said: "This is a fantastic achievement and a real team effort.

"Quest is much more than a tick box exercise, it is an ongoing programme to improve our

facility for both staff and customers, and a great way to demonstrate our achievements.

"The unannounced mystery visit included a number of anonymous telephone calls, emails and queries, as well as the all-important mystery visit itself.

"No one knew when the visit took place and therefore this award is a genuine reflection of how the service at the leisure centre is delivered week in and

week out.

"To have been awarded the second-highest score nationwide is amazing and a real testament to the staff and facilities at the leisure centre."

In the assessment report it was noted that the level of cleanliness and general presentation of the centre was very high and it "felt like a private club".

Staff were praised for their high standard of customer care which "reflected the ethos and approach of the centre manager".

They centre was found to have "notable strengths" with business planning and facility development, and their community successes, such as local sports clubs and cancer rehabilitation, were also highlighted.

Caroline Constantine, Quest's operations director, said: "By meeting Quest's high standards, Bridport and West Dorset Sports Trust has shown its commitment to providing quality facilities and services to its customers.

"In these tough economic times it is more important than ever that local leisure facilities can demonstrate their value, and the Quest process helps them do just that."

Bridport Leisure Centre fought off competition from over 700 leisure centres nationwide that undertook a Quest assessment last year and will be presented with their award at the Quest conference on February 10th at Burleigh Court Hotel in Leicestershire.

Darren Campbell, Olympic gold medallist who is the first

Quest ambassador, said: "I would like to congratulate Bridport's sports trust on achieving this award.

"I believe that the whole community should have accessible, affordable and high quality

sports and leisure facilities on their doorstep.

"In working hard to continuously improve their offering, Bridport's sport trust is doing its bit to encourage and inspire people to get more active."

New scheme to save firms and employees money on energy bills

COMMUNITIES Living Sustainably have launched a new programme, @Work@Home, which aims to save business owners money on energy expenditure.

It also helps local businesses reduce their environmental impact by offering expert consultancy to the business as well as helping staff save energy at home.

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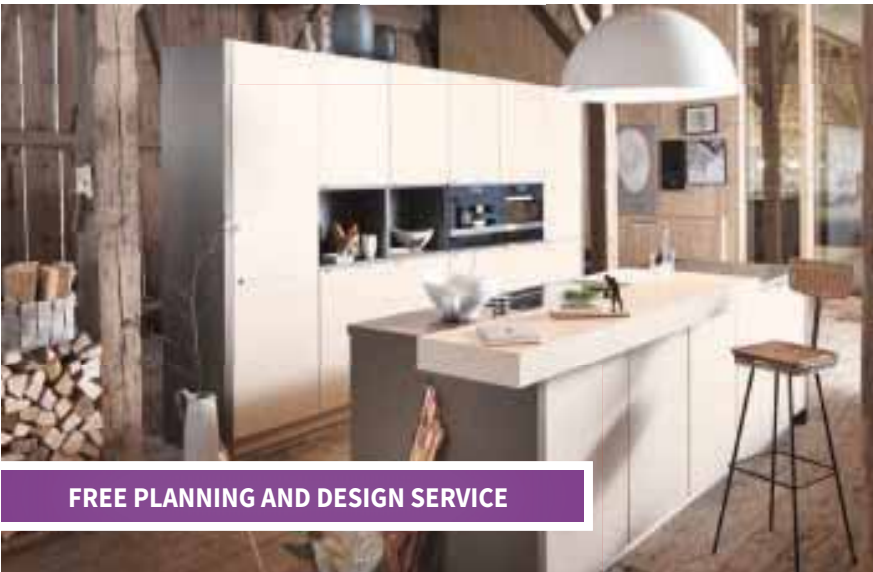
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Chickens pay visit to school

THE Reception class at St Mary's Primary School, pictured, received a special visit from two small visitors last week to help aid their learning.

The class have recently been learning the story of Chicken Licken, a tale about a chicken who believes the world is coming to an end, so staff member Mrs Batorska and her son brought in two of their live chickens for the pupils to see. They were able to ask questions about them, feed them and pet them. The class really enjoyed the visit and are now looking forward to re-writing the end of the Chicken Licken story to save the animals from Foxy Loxy, who traps them in his fox hole.





■ OVER 200 people filled Symondsby Tithe Barn for Creeds' Girt Big Barn Dance

'Girt Big Barn Dance' a roaring success

HUNDREDS of people flocked to Symondsby Tithe Barn to dance the night away at Creed's Girt Big Barn Dance on January 30th.

The event, in aid of the Bridport Literary and Scientific Institute restoration project, attracted the crowds who enjoyed a traditional country barn dance.

A spokesperson for Creeds Design and Print said: "Over 200 people filled the barn, the dancing was a hoot and the band, 'Up & Running', along with the caller Trevor did a fantastic job.

"It is difficult to imagine a happier evening and so many thanks go to

Harry and Marilyn, their friends and families, and the staff at Creeds Design and Print who organised such a successful event.

"Thanks to the sponsors, in particular, Symondsby Estate for the loan of the beautiful Tithe Barn, with the hay bales kindly supplied by Diddle Warren for seating and colourful bunting created by Jane Tamone – the setting was perfect for a Dorset country dance.

"A wonderful cheese, ham and pickle supper was offered with the most superb bread from Leakers Bakery and scrumptious tasty cheddar from Ashley

Chase plus a range of mouth-watering cakes to follow from Jessica's Farmhouse Cakes.

"The event was indeed filled with belly laughs and dancing and managed to raise £1,700, a much-needed boost to help towards the final push for funds for the restoration of the old Bridport library – the Literary and Scientific Institute."

■ RIGHT: Staff at Creeds (left to right) Cath Murphy, Pippa Horton, Marilyn Harrison, Rachel Harrison and Laura Harrison enjoy the barn dance

Beach and harbour works

RESIDENTS and visitors to West Bay and Lyme Regis are being warned that annual harbour dredging and beach work in March and April will close the beach.

Works at West Bay are due to take place between March 8th and 14th when low tides allow the best access.

The outer harbour and entrance to the harbour will be dredged with the materials taken to aid re-profiling of West Beach, which will be closed to the public while works are carried out. The esplanade will be closed to vehicular access but pedestrian access will remain open.

Lyme Regis works will be carried out in two phases, the first on March 7th and 8th, which will include dredging of a section of the harbour.

The second phase will be carried out between April 7th and 11th when the tides are at one of their lowest points in the year, and this includes beach works and dredging to the harbour and Pokers Pool.

These works will be carried out simultaneously with material being

used from the dredging to replenish material lost on the beach and members of the public are encouraged to stay off the beach while sand moving is taking place.

The shingle beach in front of the phase two seas defences will also be re-profiled during this time, with large excavators being used. Public access will be restricted while the machine is being used.

Councillor John Russell, West Dorset District Council's executive portfolio for environmental protection and assets, said: "These works are necessary in order to maintain navigational approaches into both harbours and ensure beaches are returned to their intended profiles.

"While we aim to keep disruption to a minimum, inevitably there will be some areas that will be cordoned off during each of these works.

"I would ask the public to be aware of warning signs in place."



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WHEN THE CHIPS ARE DOWN...

By Hannah Stephenson, Press Association



▲ Fresh potatoes
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If you're already 'chitting' your seed potatoes and waiting for those valuable shoots to appear on the tubers before planting out, be aware that this process may be the least of your worries.

While potatoes are generally pretty easy veg to grow given the right soil and situation, some gardeners end up with rotten, foetid tubers which will need disposing of as soon as they are out of the ground.

The most common problem is potato blight, a disease which causes brown or black patches to appear on young leaves from June onwards. The disease spreads rapidly to stems and finally the plant collapses. Spores are washed down to the tubers, resulting in a reddish brown rot and leaving the potatoes a soggy mass.

If you spot it early enough, you can remove infected leaves straight away to stop it spreading and 'earth up' or mulch rows with a thick layer of straw or hay. Don't harvest the crop for at least three weeks after removing the diseased foliage to allow time for the potato skins to thicken up and spores on the surface to die.

Don't leave blighted tubers in the ground. They will all need digging up as otherwise the spores will spread again, affecting subsequent crops.

Blight usually hits crops in warm, humid conditions from mid-summer onwards. It can be prevented by spraying with a copper-based fungicide, Bordeaux mixture, before symptoms first appear and repeating the treatment every two weeks. But if blight has already appeared, no amount of fungicide will save your crop.

To reduce the risk of blight, practise crop rotation - don't grow potatoes on the same piece of land more than once every four years - and use deep earthing up to protect the tubers. Grow early potatoes, which are lifted before blight appears, or those which show some blight resistance, including 'Sarpio Mira', 'Colleen' and 'Cosmos'. Make sure you always buy certified seed potatoes and don't save your own tubers.

Other potato problems include blackleg, a bacterial disease that causes the leaves to wilt and the stems to blacken. This usually occurs early in the season and in dry weather. You'll need to destroy affected plants.

Slugs can be a major pain in heavy and wet soil, and there's not a lot you can do about them unless you resort to slug pellets or other common slug deterrents. Early potato varieties may be less affected and if you lift your maincrops early you may be able to enjoy them before the slugs do.

The first sign of eelworms, tiny worm-like creatures which burrow into the roots of potatoes, is when plants growing close to each other start dying from the base upwards and the leaves yellow. Tiny reddish brown cysts grow out from the roots, which are the females and full of eggs. Affected plants will soon die.

Scab is another common disease which is common in light soils, caused by a fungus, but although the skins may be damaged, the affected potatoes can be eaten after peeling. To help prevent it, add plenty of organic matter to the soil before planting and water regularly during a long, hot summer.

Find out if there's a Potato Day near you - many events are publicised online - organised by your local garden club or society, offering growers an ever-expanding choice, advice on dealing with pests and diseases and the chance to talk potatoes with fellow enthusi-



▲ A rotten, mouldy potato on a field
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asts. Events nationwide run through to March.

BEST OF THE BUNCH - Snowdrop (Galanthus)

It's the pint-sized dazzler of late winter, marked by white carpet displays across the country and at various National Trust properties, parks and gardens. If you have your own woodland area and you want a naturalised effect, you'll have to plant a huge number of bulbs. Perhaps the best approach is to build your snowdrop colony gradually, planting more clumps each year. Plant them in early autumn in groups of 10 or more, spacing them 4cm apart and 6-7cm deep. They should reach their potential after a couple of years. They prefer semi shade and ideally a moist soil rich in organic matter. Look out for Galanthus 'S. Arnott', which has large, fragrant flowers, and G. 'Atkinsii', a tall variety on long stems.



▲ Snowdrops in the garden
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- Top-dress pot-grown shrubs with fresh compost, scraping away about 2.5cm (1in) of the old compost from the surface before adding the new.
- Prune winter-flowering jasmine once the flowers have gone over completely
- Shorten sideshoots from the main wisteria framework to encourage flower buds
- Water pot plants growing at the base of your house walls as they

can often be sheltered from rain by the overhang of the house eaves and may dry out

- When you have dug over an area in winter, cover the ground with a large sheet of polythene, anchored at the edges with bricks, to keep off the worst of the winter weather and suppress weeds
- Buy onion sets and store them in a dry place, ready for planting in March
- Watch out for moles, which start to become more active now because of mating and nest-building. If you can't stand the thought of getting rid of them with traditional mole traps, and old-fashioned deterrents such as mothballs down the holes don't work, make the most of the perfectly sifted topsoil they leave on the surface.

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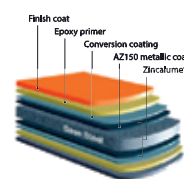
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Dorset Police and PCC join forces to tackle mental health



DORSET Police and Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) Martyn Underhill, are showing their support for nationwide initiatives to address mental health issues in the workplace.

The force and Mr Underhill, alongside mental health charities Mind and Rethink Mental Illness, are committing to challenging mental health stigma and promoting positive wellbeing for officers and staff.

Mind report that one in four people in the UK experience a mental health problem in any given year, and that those volunteering in the emergency services are even more at risk than those in the general popu-

lation, but are less likely to get support.

In December, Dorset Police and Mr Underhill officially signed the Mind Blue Light Time to Change pledge and last week took part in the Time to Talk day, which forms part of the Time to Change campaign led by Mind and Rethink Mental Illness.

The aim of the Time to Talk day is to encourage people to break the silence surrounding mental health, and to empower them to speak about any issues.

The Blue Light Time to Change pledge was developed by Mind to help fight any stigma around mental health and to support organisations to make positive changes to improve mental health in the workplace.

Karen Duke-Glover, Dorset Police's people, confidence and equality manager, said: "It is a force priority to ensure that those with mental ill health receive the appropriate care when in contact with the police, and this duty of care extends to our officers and staff too."

"The nature of the job means that many of our employees are often under high levels of stress and pressure and may have to deal with issues which could be

upsetting or disturbing.

"We are working with Mind to launch an internal support network which will be specifically focussed on mental wellbeing within the force and will create the space for people to share their stories.

"We are also aiming to establish Mental Wellbeing Force Champions who will promote and maintain the support network, while acting as points of contact for those in need of support."

Dorset Police are offering officers and staff the opportunity to attend drop-in sessions, where they can receive information, support and direction to professionally trained mental health agencies, which can provide invaluable guidance of tackling mental health issues.

PCC Martyn Underhill said: "I am privileged to have already recorded a national video for Mind on this important subject, the key message to all staff in my office and all Dorset Police employees is – it's OK to ask for help."

"As an organisation, and as an employer, we will strive to look after you. We do need to remove the stigma that mental health in the workplace currently brings."

■ DORSET Police and PCC Martyn Underhill (front left) show their support to address mental health in the workplace by signing mental health charity Mind's Blue Light Time to Change pledge and taking part in a Time to Talk day. Pictured (left to right standing) Karen Duke-Glover, people, confidence and equality manager, mental health co-ordinator Simon Thorneycroft, welfare officer Jon Nickson, human resources quality and performance analyst Sharon Williamson and Chief Constable Debbie Simpson (front right)

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Japanese Knotweed

The legal consequences

As solicitors, Japanese Knotweed has moved from being a warning in the legal press to an issue in day to day practice. It is a non-native invasive plant with incredibly strong root systems (the roots can extend to a depth of three meters and up to seven meters laterally). It has distinctive red stems and flat green leaves. It lies dormant in winter months but grows aggressively from April to October. Recent European Legislation (European Invasive Alien Species Regulation 2014) obliges member states to control and manage invasive alien species, of which Japanese Knotweed is one.



The fundamental problem is that this plant can cause physical damage to buildings and land, is expensive and time-consuming to eradicate, damage bio diversity and result in criminal and civil liabilities for owners and occupiers of property.

The legal implications of Japanese Knotweed are real. Local authorities have the power under Section 215 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to require land owners to remedy the condition of land - failure to comply can result in prosecution, a fine and the costs of undertaking the necessary works. In addition, Local Authorities and the Police can potentially serve community protection notices under the Under-Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 for failure to keep Japanese Knotweed under control. It is notable that it is also likely to be classed as a controlled waste during the removal process creating a potential liability under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

Over and above the potential liabilities listed above, an owner or occupier should not allow Japanese Knotweed to spread onto neighbouring land, because the owner of the neighbouring land may be able to take common law private nuisance proceedings for compensation for the loss and enjoyment, the costs of removal and a continuing injunction against reinfestation. More and more clients are raising concerns about Japanese Knotweed, both with regards to their own property, but also worried about its presence on neighbouring property. If you have Japanese Knotweed on your land, you need to act fast to prevent it spreading onto neighbouring property and exposing you to a potential claim in nuisance or

action by the Local Authority or Police. If your property neighbours another plot with Japanese Knotweed, you may be able to take action to force the owner to deal with it and thereby limit the risk to you.

The potential implications for the value of a property affected by Japanese Knotweed are significant as it can affect the ability to sell the property or obtain a mortgage. Some lenders will not lend against a property affected and others place restrictions on the mortgage. Buildings insurance policies generally do not cover damage and problems caused by Japanese Knotweed.

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Town's groups promote their causes



■ ROS Coles, a member of The Living Tree showcased the work and help the group offer

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Representatives from Bridport Town Council,

by **Lottie Welch**
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Vision 2030, HOME in Bridport and Bridport Heritage Forum, among many others, gathered at the town hall for the annual

networking event.

South West Dorset LETS explained that they were a local exchange and trading system, which has more

than 200 members who exchange goods, services and skills, by using a local currency called NETS, while HOME in Bridport promoted St Mary's Primary School's edible garden fundraising campaign, which can be found at

www.crowdfunder.co.uk/the-edible-garden-project-bridport

The event was organised by Bridport Town Council and town clerk Bob Gillis said: "It was very pleasing to see so many local groups and projects represented on



■ RICK Hakinson and Ro Gallagher spoke about south west Dorset LETS, local exchange trading system



■ KAREN Jones, the West Dorset outreach worker for the Volunteer Centre Dorset, offered help and advice to members of the public

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at community fair

Saturday at the annual community fair.

"As well as the many individual tables and displays from local organisations, there were also a number of groups represented on

the Bridport Local Area Partnership table.

"This has become an important annual event for the town, enabling local community groups to provide information for the pub-

lic and to network and build links with other groups.

"The event showed once again just how many community organisations are active in the area and is the

first of many events during the year that will be supported by the town council.

"Thanks as always to Linda Bullock for all her hard work in making the arrangements."



SHEILA Meany of Bridport Heritage Forum encouraged the public to sign up to write 500 words on Bridport history during the war for a new book

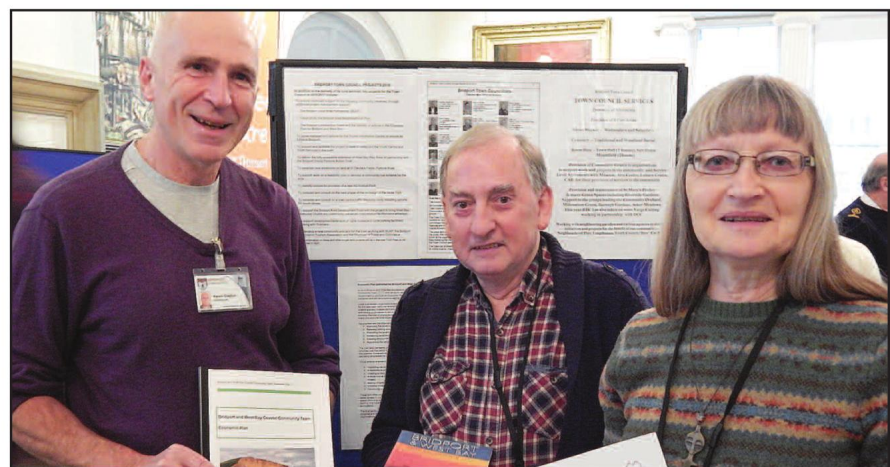


SARAH Wilberforce of HOME in Bridport is encouraging everyone to help St Mary's Primary School's edible garden continue by donating to their crowd funding website



LEFT: Members of Bridport Bowling Club Neil Kennedy and Steve Bartlett promoted the club

BELOW: Bridport Town Councillors (left to right) Kelvin Clayton, Barry Irvine and Gill Massey promote the work they are currently doing



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of healthy marriage to society, media and governments, whilst seeking to educate and inform couples regarding the benefits of an ever improving relationship, through largely church based events, and media coverage.

Marriage Week which began in 1996 in the UK has attracted the support and attention of a host of political, religious and media figures.

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Celebrating sax supremo Sonny

Gall and Clouts' Jazz Café show to pay tribute to Sonny Rollins

SAXOPHONIST Sonny Rollins is widely recognized as one of the most important and influential jazz musicians. To mark 60 years since the release of his two best known albums, Saxophone Colossus and Tenor Madness, Jade Gall (saxophone) and Philip Clouts (piano) will be playing his compositions, including the iconic jazz calypso 'St Thomas', and 'Alfie's Theme' from the soundtrack of the classic film *Alfie* starring Michael Caine.

Sonny Rollins played with jazz greats Miles Davis and Thelonious Monk early in his career, and soon afterwards released a series of landmark recordings under his own

name. In the 1950s he was widely regarded as the most talented and innovative tenor saxophonist in jazz. Nevertheless, he withdrew from public performance for two years around 1960-during this period his habit of practicing on the Williamsburg Bridge in New York became legendary.

Jade Gall is a classically trained saxophonist who has rapidly become the go-to choice for jazz, swing, soul and ska bands throughout Devon.

In addition to playing Sonny Rollins' own compositions Jade Gall and Philip Clouts will be playing jazz tunes such as 'Mac the Knife' and 'God Bless the Child' that Rollins has played so convincingly

in his recordings.

Jade Gall and Philip Clouts perform at Bridport Arts Centre's Jazz Café this Friday, February 12th at 8pm. Tickets are £10, available by calling 01308 424204.



Jade Gall

Lyme Folk Revisited

LOVERS of folk music in Lyme Regis will be delighted that organisers of the summer festival will once again be holding a fundraiser concert at the Marine Theatre next month.

On Friday, March 18th, for one night only, Lyme Folk Weekend are presenting a night of top-notch, home-grown talent, hosted by their patron, Jim Causley.

Jim, one of the West Country's best known and most successful folk singers, will be performing songs from his brilliant new album, *Forgotten Kingdom*, and also introducing - or re-introducing - a carefully selected line-up of talent spotted by the organisers at last year's Lyme Folk Weekend.

All the proceeds from the evening go towards helping to stage the summer festival.

Topping the bill are Ninebarrow, the fantastic Dorset duo who



Jim Causley

wowed audiences at the Marine Theatre last August, and who also are about to release a brand new album.

Joining them are Sennen Timckle and Claire Ji, a wonderfully bright and breezy duo who were a major hit in the Galley Cafe last August.

Also making a welcome return to Lyme for this special evening is David Green, a brilliant virtuoso guitarist and engaging singer-songwriter. If you were lucky you would have seen him on the seafront and in the Pilot

Boat at the summer festival.

And not forgetting local favourites J J Pig, singers of lusty shanties and bawdy ballads.

The show starts at 7.30pm. Tickets are £10, available from the Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre on 01297 442138 or by visiting lymefolk.com.



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THE SKIMMITY HITCHERS have long been top of the local live scene as well as festival favourites at the likes of Camp Festival, Boomtown, Tolpuddle Matyrs, Outcider and the Great Dorset Steam Fair.

The band's Dorchester Arts gig on February 27th will be their first following a 10 day tour of North America so be prepared for some stories of trans-Atlantic debauchery and faux-pas mixed in with the usual topics of cider, badgers and West Country weirdness.

If you haven't seen these boys perform before then you are in for one hell of a treat!

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alternative music scene as well as support from Dorset Phil.

Adult humour will be a feature of tonight's show so parental discretion is advised.

The Skimmity Hitchers play at Dorchester Corn Exchange on Saturday, February 27th at 8pm (doors and bar 7.30pm). Tickets are £10/ £8 members and concessions, £5 livefor5.



The Skimmity Hitchers

Meet the Mischievous Monkey this Half Term

WITH HALF TERM just around the corner, children and families can look forward to some brilliant live theatre events taking place across Dorset through Artsreach, including a special five date tour from Britain's top puppet company PuppetCraft.

Using stunning string puppets, antique shadow puppets and live music, PuppetCraft tell the story of the birth and comic escapades of the much-loved trickster and super-hero Monkey. Hatched from a stone egg, mischievous Monkey can fly on a cloud, turn himself invisible and transform into just about anything! Monkey is the main comic character in China's great classic story Journey to the West, and is still one of the world's most popular folk heroes, appearing in countless adaptations, from Chinese opera to comic books, even after hundreds of years. Now, inspired by the classic Chinese epic story, the comic adventures of this fantastical superhero are brought to life by Artsreach favourites PuppetCraft, in a show suitable for children aged 4+ and their families, and with a script written by poet Michael Rosen, Children's Laureate 2007-09.

Plus, join PuppetCraft's puppeteers before the show and learn how to make beautiful willow lanterns for a glowing parade finale. Enquire when booking show tickets. Places



limited to 30 makers. Suitable for ages 6+ (please note no workshop at Cerne Abbas).

The show comes to Cerne Abbas Village Hall on Sunday, February 14th (01300 341332), Martinstown Village Hall on Monday, February 15th at 4pm (01305 889202), and Wootton Fitzpaine Village Hall on Wednesday, February 17th at 4pm (01297 560948). For more details visit www.artsreach.co.uk

Theatre Temoin: *Nobody's Home*

THEATRE Témoïn and Grafted Cedeare are bringing their striking exploration of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) to Bridport Arts Centre on Friday, February 12th at 8pm. Set in a bathroom, *Nobody's Home* follows a soldier's journey through his own mind, as he struggles with the monsters of his past to finally arrive home in this modern retelling of Homer's *Odyssey*.



Theatre Témoïn and Grafted Cede are two theatre companies that share a passion for telling exciting stories in a visually unforgettable way and devised *Nobody's Home* in California via

a series of collaborative workshops with combat veterans. It was originally presented at both Brighton and Edinburgh Fringe festivals in 2013, where it received 5-star reviews, and performed in theatres and universities throughout the USA.

With its central theme arguably even more urgent and relevant today than it was three years ago, the production is now being revived for a tour of British theatres and military veteran communities. An integral part of the tour will be an outreach campaign run with assistance from PTSD professionals including the charity Combat Stress, to engage war veterans and others with experience of war and trauma, as well as youth workshops in physical theatre.

Presented by Theatre Témoïn and Grafted Cede Theatre with support from The Salisbury Playhouse and The Wellcome Trust.

Tickets are £12 or £10, available from www.bridport-arts.com or by calling 01308 424204.

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"IT NEVER really bothered me that I'd never met my mum. It never occurred to me I needed to meet her to 'find out who I was', as it didn't seem likely I'd discover I was someone different to who I thought I was. Could it turn out I was three stone lighter than I thought, or I spoke Italian or supported Arsenal or had a fear of Liquorice Allsorts?"

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See Mark Steel in his newest stand up show, 'Who Do I Think I Am', a surprising and enthralling story told with aplomb.

Previously, Mark has written and

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Mark Steel: 'Who Do I Think I Am' comes to the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis on Friday, February 26th. Bar opens 7pm, with the show from 8pm. All tickets are £15, and the show is suitable for ages 14+. For

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Sue's celebrated artist daughter Julie provides many of the restaurant's decorations in the form of her subtly coloured, sensitive, imaginative paintings.

For all those celebrating Valentines this Sunday, February 14th, a number of specials specifically created for Valentines will be available to tantalise those taste buds! To start why not treat your loved one to the deliciously light ½ Dozen Oysters served three ways for just £7.95, or the perfectly deep fried Brie in Crispy Crumbs for £6.25. The main course offers an array of dishes from a succulent Slow Roasted, Shredded Shoulder of Lamb (£16.95), to the mouthwatering Pan seared Monkfish steak (£17.95). To finish why not tempt your loved one with our selection of fine desserts, from their Hazelnut meringue and Strawberry Sundae to our Chocolate and Black Cherry Roulade for just £5.50. Our regular menu will also be available as usual on the night.

The evening menu is now available seven nights a week. The restaurant has previously closed on a Sunday night during the winter but that is no longer the case. What better way to round off your weekend than sampling the fantastic local food on offer at The Harbour Inn? The new full evening and lunch menus can be seen on the page opposite.

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Main Courses

Harbour Inn fish pie. Local fish with salmon, smoked haddock and prawns, in a creamy sauce. Served with salad. £13.90	Devonshire Rib Eye steak. Served with a mushroom, cream and brandy sauce, onion rings chips salad. £18.90
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Please see our Specials Board for a selection of local fish specialities

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And don't forget on most Fridays we offer a buy one standard ticket and get one half price when booked online!

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Win a Star Wars Giant Clone Trooper!

BRIDPORT'S Electric Palace and the town's Toymaster store have joined forces to mark two showings of the new Star Wars film this month.

They are giving away a 79cm Star Wars Giant Clone Trooper figure, worth £40, in a prize draw.

Electric Palace manager Susan Warren said: "We're showing Star Wars: The Force Awakens on our new, big screen during half term and we wanted to do something special to celebrate that."

"So I approached Vernon Franklin, the owner of Toymaster, which is just across the road from us, to see if we could work together. He was only too happy to oblige and offered us this brilliant figure as a prize."

The Clone Trooper is on display in the window at Toymaster in South Street, opposite the Electric Palace. To be in with a chance of winning it, go to electricpalace.org.uk/star-wars or fill out an entry form at Toymaster's front counter.

The draw closes on Monday, February 29th 2016 at 5pm. The first name, drawn at random, will win a Star Wars Giant Size 501st Clone Trooper (worth £40).

Star Wars: The Force Awakens (12A) is showing on Saturday, February 13th at 7.30pm and on Thursday, February 18th at 4.30pm. As it is in half-term week and the film is likely to be very popular, tickets, at £4, are available in advance from the Palace box office (Tues-Fri, 11am-5pm, and Sat, 10am-2pm) or online via seetickets.com.

The 12A certificate means a film is not generally suitable for children under 12. If they come, they have to be accompanied by an adult.

Classic Cinema on Wednesday afternoons continues its successful run, with *The Wizard of Oz* (U) on February 17th and *The Great Escape* (PG) on February 24th. The ticket price of £4 on the door includes



Vernon Franklin and Star Wars figure

complimentary tea and biscuits.

Evening films lined up for February are *The Martian* (12A) with Matt Damon on Tuesday, February 16th, *Sunset Song* (15) on Wednesday, February 17th, *Grandma* (15), with Lily Tomlin, on Thursday, February 18th, and the Oscar-tipped *Carol* (15) on Saturday, February 20th.

All film information is available on www.electricpalace.org.uk/films.

Returning to raise some hell!

THE second event for 2016 at Winstons Bar & Grill in Seaton will be on Saturday, February 20th - the one and only 'Hellrazor'. For the uninitiated these are the Hells Bells boys as their alter ego playing the best in classic rock from Purple, Zeppelin and Sabbath to the current era with the likes of Queen of the Stone Age, Guns and Roses, Alterbridge and Metallica

among many others.

Lead singer Lee explained: "due to the AC/DC commitments we have little chance to do this, probably four or five times a year, but we had such a blast last year at Winstons we decided this was one of the few venues that we were going to put this show on".

Expect nothing more than an explosive show and with tickets

selling fast this looks like being another sell out!

Tickets are £10 in advance, £13 on the night and are available from Winstons, Beer Village Stores and Axe Music in Axminster.

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The charge of the Dorset Yeomanry

Exhibition now open at County Museum

DORSET COUNTY MUSEUM and The Keep Military Museum, Dorchester, in conjunction with the Dorset Yeomanry have assembled a small exhibition to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the famous charge of the Queen's Own Dorset Yeomanry against a mixed Turkish and Senussi force in the Egyptian Western Desert. The charge, the last Regimental charge in battle by the British army, routed the enemy and was a key element in preventing the Turks and their German allies from capturing the Suez canal;

a vital link with India.

The highlight of the display will be the painting recording the gallantry of the QODY that was commissioned from the greatest, British, late 19th/ early 20th century, military artist, Lady Elizabeth Butler. The painting was paid for by subscriptions from local people. After being exhibited in 1917 at the Royal Academy, it was displayed in most of the major towns across Dorset. Over 10,000 people paid 8d each to see the painting. It normally hangs in the Members' Com-

mon Room at County Hall and this will be the first time for many decades that the people of Dorset will have easy access to view this painting with such county wide resonance.

A complementary display of military ephemera will be staged at The Keep Military Museum at the same time. Dorset County Museum and The Keep Military Museum are offering a joint ticket to see both displays with an individual ticket price saving of £1.50.

The exhibition is open now, and runs until June 3rd 2016.



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Singer-Songwriter Saskia is touring her debut album *Gentle Heart*, and is known for her clear, enchanting tones, and passion-

ate creative melodies. Saskia's original songs draw on the genre's of Americana, roots & darker folk music.

Saskia Moore-Griffiths and Adam Sweet play their double bill lunchtime concert on Thursday, February 18th. Doors open at 1.30pm, with music from 2pm.

Tickets are £10, available from www.marinetheatre.co.uk or by calling 01297 442138.



Adam Sweet



Saskia Moore-Griffiths

We Are Brontë

THE FAMOUS Brontë sisters get a clowning makeover when Publick Transport comes to The Lyric Theatre in Bridport this Thursday, February 11th.

We Are Brontë is a piece of comic visual theatre inspired by the real and imaginary worlds of Yorkshire's literary siblings, presented in Publick Transport's irreverent style.

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Publick Transport was set up in Bristol in 2005 with the mission not to bore audiences ("And bore audiences they certainly do not" Venue Magazine). The company is dedicated to making comic theatre of the highest standard, drawing on clown, slapstick and the absurd to celebrate the live experience and stimulate all the senses and bodily parts – especially the belly. Previous productions include: '20,000 Leagues Under the Office', 'The Department of Smelling Pistakes', 'Very Hard Times' and 'Discombobulated'.

Publick Transport are masters in comedy - audiences are challenged to keep a straight face! Tickets are £12, available in advance from Bridport



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When Harry Met Sally ¹⁵

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Daily: 12.45, 17.30, 20.00

Deadpool ¹⁵

Daily: 14.45, 18.00, 20.45

Goosebumps ^{PG}

Fri: 15.15, Sat-Thu: 10.15, 15.15

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Concussion ^{12A}

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Dad's Army ^{PG}

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Goosebumps 3D ^{PG}

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Oddball and the Penguins ^U

Daily: 12.00

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6.30-7.30pm **ZUMBA**

7.30-8.30pm **CYCLEX CLASS**

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View 2 Diary Dates

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10TH

MARTINSTOWN, NEAR DORCHESTER: Chair-based Exercise. 11.15am-12.30pm at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Wednesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 11TH

DORCHESTER: Thursday Group meeting. Wendy Hilton of TWAM (Tools With A Mission) to talk on the ingenious work of this Christian Charity. At St George's Church Hall, Fordington, 2.15-4pm. Entry £1, includes tea and biscuit. For more details call 01305 269834.

DORCHESTER: The Durnovarian Dames Ladies Group. AGM followed by a presentation by Jordans Jewellers about Birthstones. Thursday, February 11th from 10am to Noon at The Recreation Ground Pavilion, Weymouth Avenue. All ladies are very welcome to come along to our friendly monthly meetings. For more details call 01305 751639 or visit www.durnovariandames.weebly.com

DORCHESTER: Plant Heritage Dorset Group. 'Harbingers of Spring'. An illustrated talk by Julian Sutton, Desirable Plants, Totnes, Devon. At 7.30pm in the Conference Room, Kingston Maurward College, Dorchester DT2 8PY. Visitors welcome (£2.50; students £1.00 at door). Details from Rob on 01929 481535 and the NCCPG website.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 12TH

MARTINSTOWN, NEAR DORCHESTER: Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 10-11.30am at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

WEST BAY, BRIDPORT: Exercise to Music for ages 50+. 3-4.30pm at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. £5 per session. Every Friday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

LYME REGIS: U3A Heritage Coast. Social and information morning. 10.00am in Woodmead Hills, Hill Road, DT7 3PG. Come for free coffee and chat, a chance to meet leaders of more than fifty interest and activity groups, to find out more about the U3A, and to join in if you wish. Members and non-members all welcome. At 10.30, a special welcome and introduction for new and recently-joined members.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 12TH - WEDNESDAY MARCH 2ND
LYME REGIS: There will be much to admire and even take home with you in this themed art exhibition, called Coastline, which provides an appropriate platform for celebrating the British coast and our amazing World Heritage coastline as interpreted by local artists in various media and styles. The Courtyard Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane. Open daily; 10.30am-4.30pm. Free admission. www.townmillarts.co.uk

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 13TH

LODERS: West Dorset Group of the Somerset and Dorset Family History Society, 2pm, Lodgers Village Hall. Speaker Roger Guttridge - My Family and other Smugglers. Roger has researched smuggling in Dorset and published many books on the subject. Everyone welcome, visitors £3. For more details call 01308 425710 or jferentzi@aol.com

BRIDPORT: Cancer Research UK Coffee Morning at United Church Hall, 10am-12noon.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 13TH - SUNDAY MARCH 6TH
LYME REGIS: As a tribute to the region's commitment to fine art printmaking, The Town Mill is hosting Printmaking 2016, an open exhibition of the latest works of printmakers from the Southwest. The Malthouse Gallery, The Town Mill, DT7 3PU. Open daily; 10.30am-4.30pm. Free admission. www.townmillarts.co.uk

MONDAY FEBRUARY 15TH

BRIDPORT: Exercise to Music for ages 40+. 5.45-7pm at the WI Hall. £5 per session. Every Monday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 16TH

LYME REGIS: Lyme Regis Art Society. Meeting 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. at Woodmead Halls, Lyme Regis. David James is an experienced teacher and demonstrator and will be showing us pen and wash landscapes and townscapes. All are welcome. Non-members admittance is £5. Contact Sheila on 01297 445464 for further information.

WEST BAY, BRIDPORT: Chair-based Exercise. 10.30am-12noon at the WI Hall, George Street, West Bay. £5 per session. Every Tuesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 17TH

MARTINSTOWN, NEAR DORCHESTER: Chair-based Exercise. 11.15am-12.30pm at the village hall. £5 per session. Every Wednesday. For more details call Suzanne on 01308 426390.

DORCHESTER: Film: 'Hobson's Choice' showing at Evergreens Cinema, at Age UK Dorchester. Lights dim at 1.45pm, tea and biscuits served during the showing for £1.50, ice creams also available. Everyone welcome. For more details call 01305 269444.

BRIDPORT: Bridport Camera Club. 'Landscapes/Seascapes'. The 3rd Club competition of the season will be judged by Malcolm MacNaughtan from Dorchester. At Chancery House DT6 3JT, 7.30pm. For more details visit www.bridportcameraclub.co.uk, find us on Facebook or call 01308 459266.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 19TH

LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club. Penny Piddock - Lights Out! Experimentation in working creatively with light. At Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, 7.30pm.

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SATURDAY FEBRUARY 20TH

BOTHENHAMPTON: Film: 'Suffragette' at the village hall. Doors 7pm, film 7.30pm. Tickets on the door £4 for members of the film club, £5 for everybody else. For more details call 01308 423071.

WHITCHURCH CANONICORUM: Pink pig racing night in aid of Breast Cancer and Riding for the Disabled. 7pm at the village hall. £10 ticket, including supper. For more details and tickets call 01297 489375 or 489562.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 21ST

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society Birdwatching Cruise on the River Exe. Leaving Uplyme Village Hall at 10.30am in shared cars to drive to Exmouth for the cruise, which leaves at 12.15 and should take around three hours. An expert local birdwatcher will be at the microphone, food and drinks are available on the boat and binoculars will be available to borrow if you do not have your own. Cost is £14pp (£3 extra for non-members) and bookings should be made as soon as possible with Robin Britton on 01297 442794 - we will need to fix numbers by the end of January.

BRIDPORT: New Family History course in Bridport. Day one of two day beginners course (day two on Sunday, February 28th). Getting back to 1837, we will look at birth, marriages and deaths going back to 1837 and the Census records from 1841 to 1911. At Marsh Barn, Burton Road. Plenty of parking. Two day courses are £50, one day courses £25. From 10am - 4pm. Tea and real coffee provided. Bring lunch. For more details call 01308 425710.

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BRIDPORT: Illustrated talk by Charlie Wheeler 'A Year Through My Lens (The Swannery at Abbotsbury)'. At Bridport United Church Hall, East Street, 2.30

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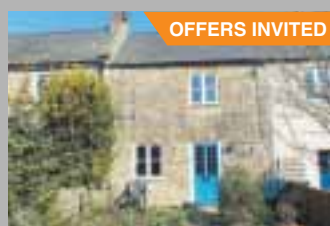
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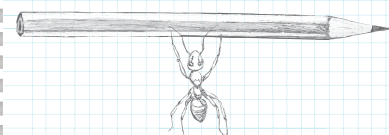
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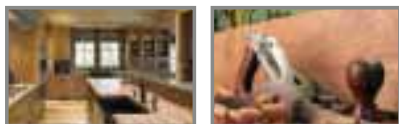


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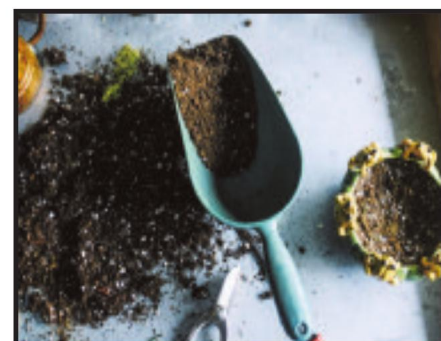
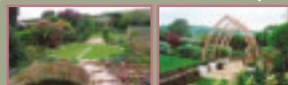
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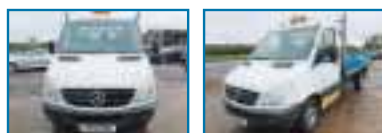
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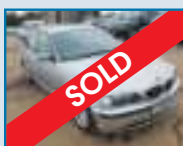
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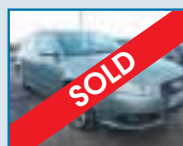


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The revised engine line-up means all versions of the PEUGEOT 208 meet stringent Euro 6 emissions standards, made possible with sophisticated BlueHDi technology ensuring every diesel version of the new 208 is below 95g/km of CO2 (benefiting from £0 VED and £0 Road Tax). There are two 79g/km models in Active and Allure trim levels, in both 3 and 5 doors, powered by the 1.6-litre BlueHDi 75hp with Stop & Start (S&S) technology. These 79g/km models are capable of achieving 94.2mpg (Combined Drive Cycle), can reach 106mph and are priced from £14,995 and £16,195.

Other models utilising the same 1.6-litre BlueHDi engines are also available with three power level

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PEUGEOT is rapidly reducing the CO2 emissions of all of its vehicles in a tangible way with the accelerated implementation of the 3-cylinder PureTech petrol and BlueHDi diesel engines, as well as the new 1.6-litre THP engines and EAT6 six-speed automatic transmission. Twenty PEUGEOT vehicles (five PureTech, three 1.6-litre THP and twelve BlueHDi) are class leading in their power class for CO2 emissions.

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Subaru announces upgrades to XV compact crossover

SUBARU has today announced details of a series of upgrades to the XV compact crossover, designed to refresh the car's exterior styling, raise cabin quality and improve refinement. In spite of the range of upgrades across the full model line-up, pricing for the Subaru XV is unchanged for the 2016 model, which goes on sale across the UK next month from £21,995 (OTR).

Since its introduction in 2012, the XV has stood out in its sector with Subaru's legendary permanent Symmetrical All-Wheel Drive as standard. The XV boasts higher ground clearance than most rivals and is among the lightest vehicles in the compact crossover segment, aiding the car's genuine off-road ability. Its centre of gravity and low-mounted four cylinder Boxer engines make it one of the most agile compact crossovers on the market.

Updates to the 2016 model follow hot on the heels of a range of upgrades made in 2015 which included a raft of suspension modifications and a quicker more direct steering rack, resulting in more engaging and assured handling and smoother ride.

Higher-quality cabin with new connected infotainment system

Among the most important changes to the upgraded XV is an upgraded interior, finished in higher quality materi-

als and featuring Subaru's new factory-fit 7.0-inch touchscreen infotainment and navigation system. Changes include the adoption of new metallic and piano black trim as well as new contrast stitching throughout the cabin. The driver's TFT LCD instrument binnacle has also been redesigned, now emitting a soft, contemporary blue glow.

The overall result of these changes is a cossetting ambience with a higher-quality, more modern look and feel.

Subaru's all-new 7.0-inch touchscreen display allows smartphone-style control of the advanced navigation and infotainment features, with a swipe and pinch control function for map displays. Consistent with other updates to the cabin, the infotainment system echoes the new blue glow of the driver's instrument binnacle. The infotainment system houses a standard-fit rear view camera, offering a super-wide 160-degree field of view behind the car when reversing.

Other functions of the car – such as changing navigation settings or adjusting the power or temperature of the climate control – can be controlled through the company's latest-generation voice control facility, allowing the driver to keep their eyes on the road ahead. The system also enables Apple iPhone users to activate Siri® Eyes-Free functionality,

providing full voice control of their iOS mobile device when linked with the new infotainment system.

The smartphone functionality extends to a range of apps, which pair users' mobile devices with the vehicle via Subaru StarLink, making the XV one of the most connected cars on the road. StarLink enables occupants to display weather forecasts and traffic reports, access wireless audio, receive the latest news updates and check their calendar while on the move.

Lower running costs and improvements to fuel efficiency

The upgraded Subaru XV continues to offer UK buyers a choice of two horizontally-opposed, four-cylinder Boxer engines – a 2.0-litre petrol and 2.0-litre diesel – and two transmissions (six-speed manual and six-speed CVT automatic). For 2016, both engines in the XV line-up offer improved fuel economy over the existing model.

The 2.0-litre turbodiesel, equipped with a six-speed manual transmission, features a range of updates and longer gear ratios to improve fuel efficiency by 4%. The modified engine – which still produces 147 PS and 350 Nm of torque – achieves 52.3 mpg on the combined cycle, while CO2 emissions fall from 146 to 141 g/km, placing the car in a lower BIK tax band (25% for 2016/17). In spite

of the longer gear ratios, driveability hasn't been compromised, with the car still able to accelerate from 0-to-62 mph in 9.3 seconds.

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Toolstation Premier (40)	Pld	Pts
Odd Down	20	51
Bristol Manor Farm	22	49
Willand Rovers	24	46
Street	22	42
Buckland Athletic	19	40
Barnstaple Town	20	40
Melksham Town	21	38
Bradford Town	24	33
Bitton	22	31
BRIDPORT	17	27
Shepton Mallet	19	26*
Brislington	19	26
Cribbs	24	22
Gillingham Town	17	21
Cadbury Heath	22	21
Hallen	20	21
Sherborne Town	21	19
Longwell Green	22	14*
Clevedon Town	23	8
Welton Rovers	20	7

Dorset Premier (32)	Pld	Pts
Merley Cobham	17	43
Shaftesbury Town	16	40
BALTI SPORTS	20	37
WEYMOUTH RES	18	37
Hamworthy Recreation	14	35
Swanage & Herston	18	30
Parley Sports	17	26
Sherborne Town Res	15	25
Holt Utd	18	25
Hamworthy Utd Res	19	25
Mere Town	19	23
Westland Sports	19	23
South Cheriton Utd	20	19
Blandford Utd	21	17
Wareham Rangers	18	17
BRIDPORT RESERVES	18	17
Cranborne	23	3

D&E Div Two (26)	Pld	Pts
Henry's Cronies	11	31
Exeter University 3rds	12	30
Chulmleigh	9	21
Cullumpton Rang Res	11	20
Exmouth Town Res	9	19
Lyme Regis	10	15
Dawlish Utd	9	15
Newtown Reserves	9	15
Hemyock	11	13
Tipton St John	11	13
Halwill	13	4
East Budleigh	14	4
Culm Utd	9	3

D&E Div Seven (22)	Pld	Pts
Tivvy Park Rangers	10	26
Lyme Regis Reserves	14	25
Central (Exeter)	11	25
Offwell Rangers	13	24
Pinhoe Reserves	12	23
Elmore Reserves	11	16
Wellington Tn 3rds	14	15*
Colyton Reserves	14	14
Cheriton Fitzpaire Res	9	13
Seaton Town Res	10	10
Langdon Reserves	12	7
Bradinch	10	2*

Perry St Premier (24)	Pld	Pts
Barrington	9	24
Beaminster	8	24
Shepton Beauchamp	9	20
Perry Street	6	16
Combe Reserves	12	16
South Petherton	7	15
Winsham Utd	12	14
Chard Utd	11	14
W&M Chinnock	12	13
Netherbury	13	11
Crewkerne Town	13	9*
Forton Rangers	11	5*
Lyme Regis Bantams	7	2*

Perry St Div 1 (24)	Pld	Pts
Hawkhurst Utd	11	28
Barrington Reserves	9	19
Misterton	10	18
Drimpton	7	18
Uplyme	8	13
Waytown Hounds	9	12
Pymore	8	11
Combe St Nicholas A	9	11
Beaminster Reserves	10	10
Ilminster Town Colts	9	7
Crewkerne Rangers	9	5
Thorncombe	9	2

Perry St Div 2 (24)	Pld	Pts
South Petherton Res	9	24
Shepton Beau Res	9	23
Merriott Rovers	9	22
Chard Rangers	11	22
Winsham Utd Res	13	21
Combe St Nicholas B	10	18
Farway Utd	10	18
Chard Utd Reserves	10	15
Hinton St George	13	12
Merriott Dynamos	10	10
Kingsbury Episc	7	7
Thorncombe Reserves	5	0

Perry St Div 3 (24)	Pld	Pts
Dowlish & Donyatt	9	24
Charmouth	10	19
Perry Street Reserves	8	18
Fivehead	11	18
Uplyme Reserves	10	17
Halstock	16	16
Netherbury Reserves	8	15
Drimpton Reserves	11	14*
Chard Rangers Res	9	13
Crewk Rangers Res	10	10
Ilminster Town A	10	6
Chard Utd All Stars	10	6
Farway Utd Reserves	11	4

Backlogged fixtures causing concern

Time to delve into the archives - with a look back 20 years

THE weekend downpour saw all of the region's football teams' matches postponed.

This gives me an opportunity to dig into our archives which have just been recovered from our soon to be closed Pulman's Axminster office.

The following snippets of reports were printed in this week in 1996 (20 years ago), some of the names will be familiar, some are still playing! - others long forgotten...enjoy!

CHALLENGE CUP

SHEPTON, who defeated **FORTON** in the league game 7-0 a couple of weeks ago, were defeated in this cup game by a fired up Forton team.

A Dave Loader header gave Forton a 1-0 half-time lead. Shepton then proceeded to miss three penalties. Forton's keeper saved Justin Thomas', Shaun French hit the post with his, and Steve Martin blasted his wide.

Andy Denning increased Forton's lead with a well placed shot. Nick Rutter halved the lead with a well taken goal. Keith Tovey banged in Forton's third. Rutter got his second to make things interesting, but it was Forton's day.

Rick Gage, Forton's manager said: "We played out of our skins today."

Shepton spokesman Matthew Horgan commented: "We were terrible, they battled hard and deserved their win."

"We are having a committee meeting about leaving the Perry Street League because the standard of refereeing is terrible - it was diabolical in this game. We are thinking of going into the Yeovil League."

Another upset happened at Sector Lane where Axminster defeated HINTON 3-2 even though they played the last 30 minutes with only NINE men.

Axminster's Gary Vernon slotted the ball home into an empty net after the keeper had parried a shot into his path. Vernon then got himself sent off for a reckless challenge.

In the second half a Simon Palmer long range effort beat the keeper to increase Axes lead, but then Axminster's league XI player Ian Hall saw the red card for deliberate handball.

Hinton hit back with Vinny Allen finding the net after the keeper had parried a shot.

Allen then got his second in virtually the same manner. Ronnie Reed hit Hinton's post and then put a Hinton defender under pressure causing him to head the ball into the top corner of the goal.

"We certainly made things hard for ourselves with the two sendings off. Ronnie Reed and Nigel Ives were outstanding and it was nice to have Matthew Dare back from Bridport," said Axe Manager Brian McAuley.

Dave Brodie's NORTON lost 4-2 at home to COMBE ST NICHOLAS. Norton's Pete Purdey fired them into the lead, but a Kev Male header made the scores level.

Shortly after prolific goalscorer Andy Contreras made it 2-1 to

Combe.

Just before the break Norton's Paul Charles hammered in a 30-yard free-kick to level the scores.

The second period was even until Norton's Barry Wills was sent off for retaliation and this changed the course of the game. Paul Stoodley made it 3-2 after a shot had hit the crossbar and he converted the rebound.

Male got the fourth and his second to secure Combe's passage into the semi-finals.

ARTHUR GAGE CUP

HIGH flying **LYME REGIS RES** were downed 6-0 away at **ILMINSTER TOWN RES**.

Jamie Parks gave Ilminster the lead after 15 minutes. It remained that way until the 43rd minute when Steve Redwood made the lead two.

Parks got his second and Ilminster's third a minute later.

Ilminster were well on top in the second half and added a further three goals. Redwood got two of them to complete his hat-trick and Steve Parks also found the net.

Bottom-of-the-table **SOUTH PETHERTON** clipped fourth in the table **BEAMINSTER RES** wings with a 3-0 home win.

Petherton went into the break leading 1-0 courtesy of Steve Sibley.

Second-half goals from Anthony Dalwood and Chris Boulton made sure Beaminster didn't make a comeback.

"Anthony Pimblett, up from the reserves, stood out for us," said Petherton manager Jason Hearne.

There was upset with **CREWKERNE RES** winning 2-0 at **COMBE RESERVES**. Combe manager Gary Biss a penalty while Crewkerne's Budgie Cook headed the first goal and Lee Haines capitalised on a defensive error to slot home the second.

TOMMY TABBERER CUP

AXMINSTER TOWN A notched up their first win of the season with a 2-1 extra time triumph at **CHARD YOUTH CLUB**.

Chard led through Andy Finn but Adam Bounds tor-poked home the equaliser and then scored from the edge of the box to clinch the win.

In the other game **PYMORE** overcame **SEAVINGTON** in the second-half to win 4-0.

After a goal less first-half Phil Hussey fired a hat-trick and Simon Bush added a fourth.

Seavington had Mark Tolman and Mark Woollard sent-off for foul and abusive language. Both keepers Steve Major (Seavington) and Stuart Alner (Pymore) stood out.

JOHN FOWLER CUP

BARRINGTON beat **UPLYME** 2-1 after extra time to advance to the next round.

In the first 90 minutes there were no goals and very little action.

Ray Cooper gave Barrington the lead in the first-half of extra time. Richard Tratt added a second early in the second period. Gavin Folwer



◆ **MUDBATH:** Lyme Regis' Davey Fort Ground resembled the majority of pitches across the region on Saturday.
Photo by **HOWARD LARCOMBE**

pulled one back but Barrington held on.

"We missed loads of chances, our finishing was terrible," said Uplyme manager Frank Bowditch.

HAWKCHURCH won 4-2 in a see-saw game at **MISTERTON RES**.

Darren Symes Misterton into the lead but Greg Harding levelled after Alex Brooks had done the donkey work and that's how it stayed until half-time.

Adrian Strawbridge headed the Hawks into the lead but Misterton's manager Shaun Martin squared things up immediately.

Both sides had chances but Brooks tucked two away to give the Hawks the win.

In another close match a Mike Alphonse goal earned **NETHERBURY** a 1-0 win over **COTLEY**.

KENNY HODGES CUP

DOWLISH and **CHARD UNITED** battled out a 4-4 draw after extra-time.

Craig Fox scored twice to put Dowlish in control. Mark Cox pulled one back before Fox completed his hat-trick.

In the second-half Chard stormed back with Cox's second and a Paul Macey header which forced extra-time.

In the second period Andy North converted a penalty to give Dowlish a 4-3 lead. Graham Spurway forced the ball home after a goalmouth scramble to set up a replay.

There was another draw at **COLYTON** where the hosts A team drew 3-3 with **COMBE ST NICHOLAS A**.

Dave Long (2) and Jason Charlton scored for the hosts.

Finally, goals from Gavin Gay, Amos Caldwell and Lee Watts saw

PYMORE RESERVES through after a 3-1 win over **AXMOUTH RESERVES**. Chris Hammett scored for Axmouth but they found Pymore keeper Ian Gay in top form.

PREMIER DIVISION

THIRD placed **CREWKERNE** cruised to a 6-0 win over **MISTERTON**.

Goals from Lee Gillman, Robbie James, Mickey Glover and Lee Wallace gave them a 4-0 half-time lead.

Paul Hooper bagged a pair to round-off the scoring.

Down at the Davey Fort **LYME REGIS** systematically wore down **FARWAY** in the first half.

Ellis Hoole first Lyme ahead after good work from Gerard Hitchcock. Hoole then made it 2-0 with a superb 25-yard free-kick.

Alastair McLennan and Rob Thom (2) made it 5-0 at half-time.

Derek Wellman added number six near the end.

DIVISION TWO

AT THORNCOMBE Colin Bowditch's **CHARMOUTH** continued their fine run with a 4-1 win.

John Butler gave Charmouth a 1-0 lead at half-time.

John Foote added number two before Butler scored his second and Nick Bown made it 4-0.

Pete Cunnifford netted the consolation for Kev Warren's Thorns. Charmouth's Pip Marchant and Thorn's Andy Egton stood out.

FOURTH DIVISION

THE only game played saw **CHARD TOWN A RES** win 5-3 at **CHARMOUTH RES**.

Chard zoomed into a 5-0 lead with goals from manager Richie Allen, Shaun Chlopecki and a Kev Gar-

diner hat-trick.

Kevin Pragnell (2) and Lee Caines netted the Charmouth consolations.

I hope this has jogged a few memories!

◆ **BACK** to 2016, and next Saturday's (February 13th) fixture list; **DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE**

Division Two (3pm)
Cullompton Rangers Res v Lyme Regis
Division Seven (3pm)
Lyme Regis Res v Tivvy Park Rangers

PERRY STREET LEAGUE

JACK VENN CUP (2pm ko)
Chard Rangers v Merriott Dynamos
Farway Utd v Merriott Rovers
Kingsbury Episc v Shepton Beauchamp Res
Winsham Utd Res v South Petherton Res

PREMIER (2.30pm)

Barrington v Winsham Utd
Crewkerne Town v West & Middle Chinnock
Forton Rangers v Combe Reserves
Perry Street v Lyme Regis Bantams
Shepton Beauchamp v Beaminster
South Petherton v Netherbury

DIVISION ONE (2.30pm)

Beaminster Reserves v Uplyme
Crewkerne Reserves v Thorncombe
Drimpton v Combe St Nicholas A
Hawkhurst Utd v Barrington Reserves
Ilminster Town Colts v Waytown Hounds
Misterton v Pymore

DIVISION TWO (2.30pm)

Combe St Nicholas B v Hinton St George
Thorncombe Reserves v Chard Utd Reserves

DIVISION THREE (2.30pm)

Chard Utd All Stars v Crewk Rangers Res
Dowlish & Donyatt v Drimpton Reserves
Fivehead v Chard Rangers Reserves
Halstock v Perry Street Reserves
Netherbury Reserves v Charmouth
Uplyme Reserves v Ilminster Town A

Rugby round-up

Defeats, but good tests for youngsters

BRIDPORT 1st XV's scheduled trip to face bottom-of-the-table Fordingbridge was washed out.
The teams will try again this coming weekend.

This Saturday's fixtures;
Dorchester II v Weymouth & Portland
Ellingham & Ringwood v Poole
Fordingbridge II v Bridport
New Milton II v Bournemouth III
North Dorset II v Wheatheaf Cab' Crew
Puddletown v Yeovil

Bridport U12s
MUCH credit goes to club groundsman Clive Greening for having playable pitches available on Sunday after such a downpour.
It soon became very apparent that opponents Dorchester, the reigning Dorset & Wiltshire Champions, were a cut above the norm.
Any missed tackle was punished and

D&W D2 (S)	Pld	+/-	Pts
Yeovil	15	653	71
WEYMOUTH & PORT'ND	15	260	64
Bournemouth III	15	462	62
New Milton II	15	321	59
BRIDPORT	15	69	43
Wheatheaf Cabin Crew	15	-84	38
Ellingham & Ringwood II	15	-140	25
PUDDLETOWN	15	-122	22
DORCHESTER II	15	-242	20
North Dorset III	15	-213	19
Poole	15	-472	10
Fordingbridge II	15	-492	-4

no matter who was in the ruck or maul, Dorchester maintained a back line.
The first game could have seen a try from the Blues but for a last snatched knock-on, and lack of tackling enabled Dorchester to win 4-0.
The second game was much more competitive with Araminta May show-

ing good decision making at scrum half, and Ben Fry tackling far bigger players with gusto.

Henry Mason's never give in style of play plus three wins against the head was to make him Man of the Match. Oliver Hansford-Harvey's try was a classic maul, to backs and over the line.
But once again certain players reluctance to tackle, combined with others watching, not pushing, allowed another Dorchester victory of 4-1. However, the old adage applies; the better the opposition, the more you learn.

Bridport U10s
LAST season the young Blues gave a good account of themselves against a strong Oakmedians side, and it was good to see that they had retained near parity in the interval.
Over the course of four short games Bridport drew the first two and lost the second two as they tired somewhat

against a much larger squad.
There was some good rugby on display from both sides, although there was a tendency to hang on to the ball too long and engage in a wrestling match rather than spread it wide and make use of the full pitch.
The first two games, which were very closely fought, both ended one all, Bridport's tries coming from Barney Johnson after some good support work, and Charles Edwards with a strong run down the left wing.
The home side defended very well with Player of the Day, Henry Everitt, showing the way.
In the second two games Bridport shipped six tries, replying with only one from Edwards, as legs began to tire.
With a little more decisiveness at the breakdown and more willingness to distribute the ball Bridport U10s are going to continue to provide stiff opposition to all-comers.

Bridport Squash
Hopes dented

**Bridport 3rd 7
Canford 2nd 15**

THIS result was a blow in Bridport 3rd's aspirations as they lost a little ground in the Dorset League Division Four promotion stakes against a strong Canford team who are also in with a chance of the title writes Roger Lewis.
Nick Neale at one for Bridport had to battle it out with a very fit and hard hitting opponent in Anthony Jenkins whose playmaking always had Neale going with a wide range of shots to all corners of the court.

Neale was always playing catch up as he succumbed to a 9-2, 9-5, 5-6 defeat.

As well as Riaz Dahramsh at two played, his opponent Guy Bowden's ability to read his game and counter meant that the Bridport man was on the defensive throughout the match,

Dahramsh managed one game but Bowden was always going to be the winner as he powered through to record a 9-1, 9-4, 9-10, 9-4 victory.

Nathan Neale at three had an excellent game against Steve Boome.

It was Neale's fitness which was a great help in his ability to counter the shot making of his opponent allowing him more time to play his own shots.

The match was nip and tuck throughout with Boome playing some useful tight length shots coupled

with the odd drop shot which meant Neale had to be on his mark.

This he did which eventually gave him a very good 3-9, 9-4, 9-4 victory.

Although Wood played to the best of his ability he was thwarted on many occasions by the intelligent play of his opponent who had an extremely good lob serve followed up by good length drives up and down the walls.

This tactic had Wood playing catch up all the time, and although he lost 8-10, 3-9, 2-9, he will have gained experience which will hold him in good stead in future matches.

Jason Abbott at five was up against another lady player in Canford's Ali McKenzie.

Whenever Abbott plays for the team, he plays a simple uncomplicated game and relies on his opponent to make the mistakes, and this was the case with McKenzie.

It was down to Abbott's patience and intelligent play that proved to be the deciding factor and he went through to win by a very good 9-6, 9-7, 9-4 margin.

Dorset Division 4	Pld	Pts
Bridport III	6	185
Canford II	5	179
Dorchester III	7	172
West Hants IV	6	170
Bournemouth IV	7	158
Two Riversmeet V	6	151
Ferndown IV	5	116
Dorchester IV	6	111
Springfield Club	6	67
Ringwood II	6	59

Hoppé honoured by legend

CLUB member Mark Hoppé was crowned Woolbridge Motor Club Car Trials Champion at a recent presentation during the club's Annual General Meeting at the Colliton Club in Dorchester.

This was an event the successful driver was unable to attend due to a more prestigious awards evening which required his presence.

Hoppé also took his Citroen Saxo to second place in the Association of South Western Motor Clubs Car Trials series and for the second year in succession claimed the premier award in the Motor Sports Association Trials National Championship.

Having secured overall wins in a number of the qualifying rounds, which required contesting qualifying events in Kent, the Home Counties, the Midlands and North Wales, Hoppé was again crowned champion.

The spoils of victory were presented to Mark at the Annual Motor Sports Association's Night of Champions in London where the British motor sporting elite gathered, including all of the 2015 champions such as Gordon Shedden from the high profile British Touring Car Championship as well as winners from drag racing, ral-



◆ WELL DONE: Mark Hoppé receives his second British title from motor sport legend, and the only man to win world championships on two and four wheels, John Surtees CBE.

lying and karting.
Mark received his award from motor sport legend, and recently made CBE, John Surtees.
The only competitor to win world championships on a motorcycle,

which he achieved on four occasions, and in a car in 1964 when he was driving for Enzo Ferrari.
For more information go to www.woolbridge.co.uk.

Riviera backing for McGuinness



◆BRIGHT FUTURE: Libys McGuinness

WEYMOUTH'S Riviera Hotel has announced a knock-out new sponsorship deal.

The Bowleaze Cove venue is backing talented 17-year-old boxer, Libys McGuinness one of Weymouth Boxing Club's hottest properties and a member of its renowned, Grey Ranks Crew section.

McGuinness is being tipped as a future full England international and has already trained with the British Womens squad at the Institute of Sport in Sheffield.

As well as financial support, the Riviera is giving Libys full access to its outstanding leisure facilities that include a gym and two heated swimming pools.

Libys, who will be moving up to senior ranks next month, said: "I am so grateful to the Riviera.

"My aim is to box internationally one day and support like this can really make all the difference.

"I'd like to say a big thank you to the staff at the hotel. Particularly the guys in the leisure club. It is much appreciated."

Riviera general manager, Pete Burnham, said the hotel is delighted to be associated with talented local sports stars.

He added: "Libys is a highly motivated and hardworking young lady and we are delighted to be supporting her.

"We have wonderful leisure facilities here at the Riviera and it's great to think that we are contributing to what we hope will be a very successful career."

Bowls

Over 60s let it slip

Bridport & West Dorset Indoor Club
BRIDPORT Men's over 60's side were also left kicking themselves after throwing away three points in their home match against BOURNEMOUTH.

Holding a six-shot advantage overall with one end left, both triples of Peter Varney, Brian Baker and Phil Hedges, and John Boxall, Mel Hargett and Mike Fletcher dropped three counts to gift Bournemouth the draw 29-29.

Bridport picked up a fine four points against BOURNEMOUTH in the County Mixed League, Erica Sarson, Mary Corfield, Brian Legg and Phil Hedges winning 17-10 at home and Joan and Mel Griffiths, Gill Hunt and Keith Jenkins nicking it 27-26 at Bournemouth.

In the Ladies County League Bridport's B team were in pole position to win their away match against the ISLE OF PURBECK with Joan Griffiths, Pat Cowmeadow, Anne Parkins and Janet Tattershall five up and Erica Sarson, Lyn Sandall, Barbara Jenkins and Mary Marsh four down with one end left.

But it all went wrong as Tattershall and Marsh dropped counts of 5 and 2 to leave Bridport with just one point.

Lyme Regis Cribbage

Results - February 1st:		
Beer Club 3 Steps 2	Stepps	20 55
New Inn Kilm B 4 Ship	Gerrard Arms	19 54
Inn LR 1, Ax Con Club 3	Axminster Con Club	19 52
Royal Oak 2, Talbot Arms	Beer Club	20 50
2 Nags Head 3, Lamb	Nags Head	19 49
Swans 4 New Inn Kilm A	Ship Inn LR	20 48
1.	New Inn Kilm A	19 47
	Old Inn Kilm	19 46
	Royal Oak	19 46
	Axminster Inn	19 41
	New Inn Kilm B	19 41
	Talbot Arms	19 37

Beer League	Pld	Pts
Axminster Con Club	19	37
New Inn Kilm A	19	33
Royal Oak	19	33
Gerrard Arms	18	31
Talbot Arms	19	30
New Inn Kilm B	19	30
Lamb Swans	20	30
Stepps	20	27
Axminster Inn	19	27
Old Inn Kilm	19	26
Ship Inn LR	20	25
Nags Head	19	23
Beer Club	20	23

Bridport Skittles

UPCOMING cup fixtures
Portman Handicap (R3)
Tuesday, February 16th
Rejects v Broadoak (14).
Wednesday, February 17th
LHS v Alleycats (27), Aussies Lot (13) v 7" Clock,
Thursday, February 18th
Nelson Nobblers v AFAR (37), Rockets v Originals (21).
Friday, February 19th
Pioneers (4) v Castouts, Hidden Talent (19) v Strawpeedoes.
Cup Winners Cup (R2)
Monday, February 15th

Division A	Pd	Pts	Division C	Pd	Pts
Nelson Nobblers	12	18	Aussies Lot	11	18
Rejects	12	18	Bulldogs	10	14
Wanderers	11	17	LHS	10	14
Lively Lads	12	12	Strawpeedoes	12	14
Shipfaced	10	12	Whisky Chasers	11	12
Denhay	12	11	Groundhogs	9	10
Rough Eight	12	10	Survivors	11	10
Slingers	11	10	Pinseekers	11	8
Masters	11	8	Yo Yo's	12	8
Originals	12	8	Pioneers	11	6
Rockets	12	8	Unknowns	8	4
Outsiders	11	6			

Division B	Pd	Pts	Division D	Pd	Pts
Broadoak	11	18	Brandy Snaps	12	20
U know the Bokes	10	16	AFAR	11	18
Dingbats	9	13	Alcoholics	12	16
7" Clock	11	11	Featherbeds	12	16
Castouts	11	10	Alleycats	11	14
Miss the Ball	11	10	Stingers	10	13
Bangers	10	8	Let em Roll	9	12
Countrymen	10	8	Hidden Talent	11	7
The Dingles	11	8	Offcuts	10	7
Gerryiatrics	9	4	Tiger Lilies	12	6
NBC	9	4	Pinbashers	12	3
			Bad Girls	12	2

Dorchester Snooker

Table week 13	Pld	Pts
Trinity M	12	48
Trinity Gooduns.....	10	44
W.Dorset Club A ...	9	41
Trinity Express.....	11	41
Purbeck Potters.....	10	38
WDC YYMFD T	9	35
Colliton XQ2015	9	33
WDC Whip B	11	26
Colliton Hopefuls ..	9	24

Rearranged fixtures;
WDC YYMFD T v Purbeck Potters (Tonight - Wednesday, February 10th), Trinity Express v Colliton XQ2015 (Monday, February 15th).

Bridport Darts

Division One	Pld	Pts
Rubber Johns	13	22
Rob's Robbers	13	21
BSC	12	19
Fleet Street Five	14	17
Nomads	14	16
Hands of Time	14	15
It's in the Middle	13	11
Nags Head A	13	10
Noth'n But Treble	13	6
Odds or Us	13	5
Young Darters	12	2

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Les Miserables	13	21
Elders	12	21
One for the Vikings ..	14	20
Respect-de-Bull	13	17
Dat Team	12	15
Anchor V Viewers	12	8
Otter Rotters	12	7
Poachers	13	6
Royal Hawks	12	6
Time Bombs	11	3

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Anchor Five	12	20
Tiger Bees	12	15
Flashes Fives	12	13
Mis Fits	12	13
The Surgeons	11	12
Midnight Runners	12	12
No Direction	12	11
3 Become 1	11	10
Only Just	11	10
The Royal Nuts	11	0

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Dart Vaders	12	22
The Nameless	12	15
Wicked Team Name	12	15
Whamo	12	13
Sorted Odds	12	12
Dodgers	11	12
Thunder Birds	11	9
Odds & Sods	12	9
Ace of Clubs	11	5
Mozzies Heroes	11	4

Ladies Division One	Pld	Pts
Anchor Aces	19	35
Arrows Awry	19	28
Tender Trap	19	25
Sue's Rebels	19	20
Clocking On	19	18
Queen Bees	19	17
Against the Odds	19	8
Castaways	19	1

Ladies Division Two	Pld	Pts
Queensies OTC	21	34
Up and Downers	20	25
Wildcats	20	23
Next Door	21	23
Good Mates	21	18
Wrong Bed	19	15
Angels Aweigh	19	14
Charlie's Angels	19	14
Tiger Stripes	18	12

180s: D1 - M.Fisher x8, D2 - S.Crabb, A.Coutts & P.Rowley all x3, D3 - R.Hayter & S.West both x2, D4 - A.Page (Wicket TN) x3, LD1 - T.Dawe, S.James, S.Hallett, J.Collins, S.Chick all x1, LD2 - T.Wayland (Wrong Bed) x1.

A blast from the past - charity cricket

THIS week we are introducing the first of a series of occasional stories which we have named "Blast from the Past" and we are looking for readers help in identifying and supplying us with events we can use in future editions.

We are looking for stories that are slightly quirky or celebrate sporting events that maybe now have significance.

It may be playing with or against someone who later became a superstar or an incident that was unusual or different. An old photo or two would be appreciated if possible.

If you have any such stories and photos, and would like to share them then send it by e-mail to Stuart Broom (stuart@pemedias.co.uk) or Howard Larcombe (howard@pemedias.co.uk).

To kick off the series we start with an old newspaper cutting that John Laurence of Bridport found in a drawer whilst having a clear it out.

Inaugural charity match

THE report is on the first cricket competition held to raise funds for the preservation and upkeep of St Mary's Church Bridport, a competition that is still ongoing over 30 years later.

The six-a-side knock-out tournament involved eight local companies and has raised thousands of pounds over the years.

The photo belongs to John Laurence, a former Bridport-Gundry employee who was part of the team that drew with the Bowditch and Singleton family in the final.

Although not a cricketer, John was the star with the ball on the day taking three wickets with three balls including Richard Strong playing for the George Gentlemen, who soon after became a work and cricket colleague when he joined Bridport-Gundry.

'St Mary's Playing fields in Bridport were the scene of



◆ **GREAT MATCH:** captains Peter Singleton (left) and Ken Hosking shaking hands after sharing the cup. The rest of the Bridport-Gundry team are (from left): Brian Kick (centre), Jim Hoskins, John Laurence, Jonathan James, but we can't remember the man on the right. Can anyone help and with those in the Bowditch and Singleton team perhaps?

intense but friendly sporting rivalry on Sunday when eight teams of cricket enthusiasts competed in a six-a-side knock-out tournament.

Organised by the Friends of St Mary's to stiate local community support for the preservation and upkeep of Bridport's parish church, the event raised some £380 to that end.

The final match between the Bowditch and Singleton family team and Bridport Gundry produced a thrilling finish.

With one ball to go Gundry's needed two runs to win but only managed to scramble a single.

A tie was a fitting finish and each team will now hold the trophy - a golden rose bowl - for six months.

Highest scorer on the day was Peter Singleton (32 no v Bridport Round Table).

Other high scorers were The Doves & Crocks team's Edward Griffin (31) and Clifford Samways of The Mayor's team and Ken Hoskins (Gundry's captain) who both scored 28.

The most successful bowler was Gundry's John Laurence who a remarkable three wickets for five runs in his one over against the George Gentlemen.

The lucky programme number was 573 and the holder is asjed to contact Tony Bowditch at South Holme off South Street to receive the prize.

◆ If you have any old sporting and different sportng Blast from the Past photos send them to [View Sport](#).

Charlton Down benefitting from youth policy



◆ **SPOT ON:** Kerr Jeffrey receives the Under 13 Red team manager's award from head coach Pete Tucker

AS reported last week Charlton Down Cricket Club had a very successful season at youth level. Their success and continued progress augers well for the future, and with several former youth players now established in the senior team, success for the club appears very bright.

Besides winning Division 5, their third consecutive promotion, the senior side were also voted Dorset Funeral league's joint team of the season along with Stalbridge.



◆ **THE FUTURE:** Members of Charlton Down's youth teams celebrating during their recent awards night

West Dorset Hawks Hockey

Injuries snatch deserved victory from Hawks

Penzance 3 West Dorset Hawks 2

INJURIES to three of West Dorset Hawks most influential players wrecked West Dorset Hawks chances of a memorable victory on their longest trip of the season to Cornwall.

Having battled torrential rain, gales and floods on their way, they were leading 2-1 going into halftime when striker Steve Mearning was taken out by a crude tackle that, following a lengthy period off the field for treatment, saw him return at only half pace.

Earlier in the second half, Rick Steele was also the victim of some rough treatment that saw his contribution also reduced significantly, and then still hanging on to their lead, they suffered another blow when Gavin Brooking tweaked his calf and could not continue.

Despite the long trip and the treacherous weather which prevailed throughout the game, Hawks started much the better and from the start put Penzance, who are looking for promotion this season, under the cosh and they took the lead after 14 minutes.

Steele picked up Julian May's aerial and sprinted down the line before delivering a low crisp cross.

The home keeper thinking it was going to pass the far post, lifted his leg to let it go but did not notice Ollie Gargrave lurking at the far post, who turned the ball home.

The startled Cornishmen however could do nothing about it as Hawks continued to dominate, but did draw level on 29 minutes with a rather lucky equaliser. A shot from a short corner appeared to be going

wide but keeper Tom Lowe, taking no chances, stuck out his left boot which took the slightest of deflection past the covering Brooking and bobbled into the net.

Hawks were not to be denied however and they soon regained the lead on the counter attack with two minutes of the half remaining when Simon Wakely beat his marker down the left before firing in a bullet cross that found Mearning at the top of the D.

He beat a defender before ex-cisely lobbying the advancing keeper as he rushed out for a superb goal.

Immediately from the restart Mearning was effectively taken out to reduce the Hawks attacking threat.

West Dorset regrouped with Richard Pusey who, along with Jim Bowditch, had not played

much in the last year, as replacement, and they continued to call the tune.

However, with two players clearly less than fully mobile and the conditions beginning to tell, the hosts started to get on top.

Lowe brought off a stupendous double save to keep them ahead, first stopping a fierce shot with his helmet, before recovering to parry the follow up away.

However, with 15 minutes left Penzance, another young, fit side who were able to rotate their players, scored an equaliser from open play, and with the Hawks now grounded by exhaustion they snatched a late winner to take the points.

Spokesperson May said: "Once again it was a great team performance.

It was disappointing that Steve and Rick were both vic-

tims of some heavy handed treatment - had they and Gavin been fully fit, it would probably have given us victory."

With four teams relegated from Southern 2, and West Dorset needing a couple of victories to ensure they are safe, next Saturday's home fixture against Isca C is important in their quest to ensure they stay up.

Southern 2	Pld	Pts
Taunton Vale B	17	39
Penzance	17	37
Exeter University	17	36
Camborne SoM	17	28
Plymouth Uni A	16	28
WEST DORSET	17	25
Yeovil & Sherb A	16	24
Bude	17	24
PGSOB A	17	22
Isca C	17	20
Plymouth Marjon C ..	17	15
PSSOB B	17	0

Lyme Skittles

Results (w/e Feb 6th);
Ladies; Wild Pins (+BL) 307 Generations 257, Wootton Wobblers (+BL) 297 Rollercoasters 289, Hot Gossips 312 Smashers (+BL) 313, Just Us 279 La Crème (+BL) 290.

Men's; Clueless 314 Marksmen (+BL) 346, British Legion 302 Trappers (+BL) 319, President's Men (+BL) 311 Shakers 293, No Hoppers (+BL) 362 Young Guns 313, Anthill Mob (+BL) 335 Skippy's Six 303, Tornadoes 317 Rousdon Rebels (+BL) 347, Miscellaneous 337 Alleytwits (+BL) 324, Roadrunners 305 Flyers 311 (BL drawn).
(+BL) = Beer Leg winner

Ladies	Pld	Pts	BL
Wootton Wobblers ..	10	20	14
Wild Pins	10	12	12
Smashers	10	11	12
Generations	10	9	12
Just Us	9	9	4
Hot Gossips	10	7	14
La Crème	10	6	6
Rollercoasters	9	4	4

Mens Div One	Pld	Pts	BL
Marksmen	11	18	8
No Hoppers	8	14	6
Rousdon Rebels	10	12	10
Anthill Mob	11	10	16
Young Guns	11	10	16
Wreckers	9	10	11
Clueless	10	8	7
Skippy's Six	11	6	9
Tornadoes	11	4	9

Mens Div Two	Pld	Pts	BL
Flyers	10	20	16
Roadrunners	10	13	13
Trappers	10	13	13
Alleytwits	10	10	13
Miscellaneous	9	8	4
President's Men	10	6	9
Shakers	9	4	6
British Legion	9	4	4

Table Skittles

Bridport & Dist League			
Division A	Pd	Pts	BL
Jesters	16	62	13
Crown Duels	16	61	15
Hopeless Anchors	16	48	9
Morris Heads	13	44	8
No Hoppers	15	44	4
What an Anchor	16	44	11
What's the Odds	16	44	8
Fred's Heroes	15	34	7
Mucking Fuddlers	15	33	4
Odds Against	15	30	4
Ria Gunners	14	27	9
Consorts	14	21	3
The Devils	15	20	7
George Gormets	16	18	4

Division B	Pld	Pts	BL
Fishermen's Friends ..	15	50	12
Baggies Boys	14	46	10
Pat the Hat	15	46	7
Nelson Villains	13	40	13
Bellends	14	40	3
Little Nibblers	14	36	9
Hitt & Hope	13	35	8
Slingers	11	31	6
Mel's men	12	27	5
Stick Ups	14	27	5
Five Alive	14	22	5
Has Beens	13	18	4
About Time	12	17	3

Lyme Darts

Table	Pld	Pts
Nags Head A	13	23
Rousdon Club	10	20
Nags 2	13	19
Rock Point	12	19
Four Play	14	18
Janners	12	12
Hunters Lodge	12	10
Talbot Arms	14	8
Royal Standard	11	7
Cobb Arms	13	6
Four's Company	12	4
Half an Octopus	12	2

180s leaders:
R.Cross (4), C.Higgs, T.Prowse, M.Barnett & A.Reid (all 3), Darren Herbert & Terry Peardon (both x2)

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B-Fit Ladies net 3rd place at regional festival

Full of trepidation eight ladies from the B-Fit Beaminster "Back to Netball" club recently travelled to Paignton to compete in the regional Back to Netball Festival.

On arrival the sight of 14 other teams and over 100 players in kit was intimidating to say the least.

However, after the nerves settled and the first game was drawn, the Beaminster ladies realised that they had a fighting chance to do well - and that they did!

Each game saw an improvement in confidence, teamwork and strategy.

After some excellent hard fought games the team progressed to the semi-finals as 2nd in league pool of eight.

Unfortunately, that game had to be played after a run of three consecutive matches and the team ran out of steam, but still gave the eventual winners, the Teignmouth T-Birds, a hard game before losing narrowly.



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